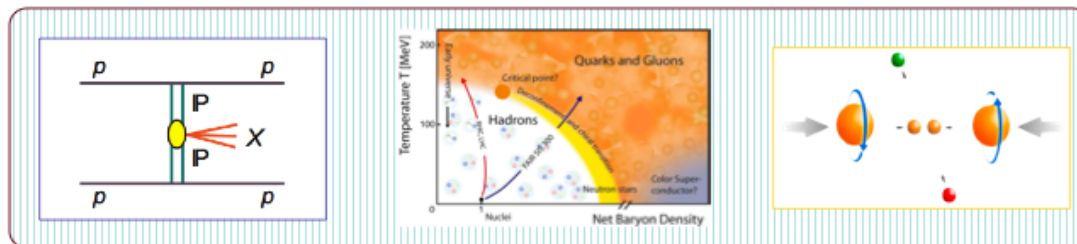


# STAR Physics Program

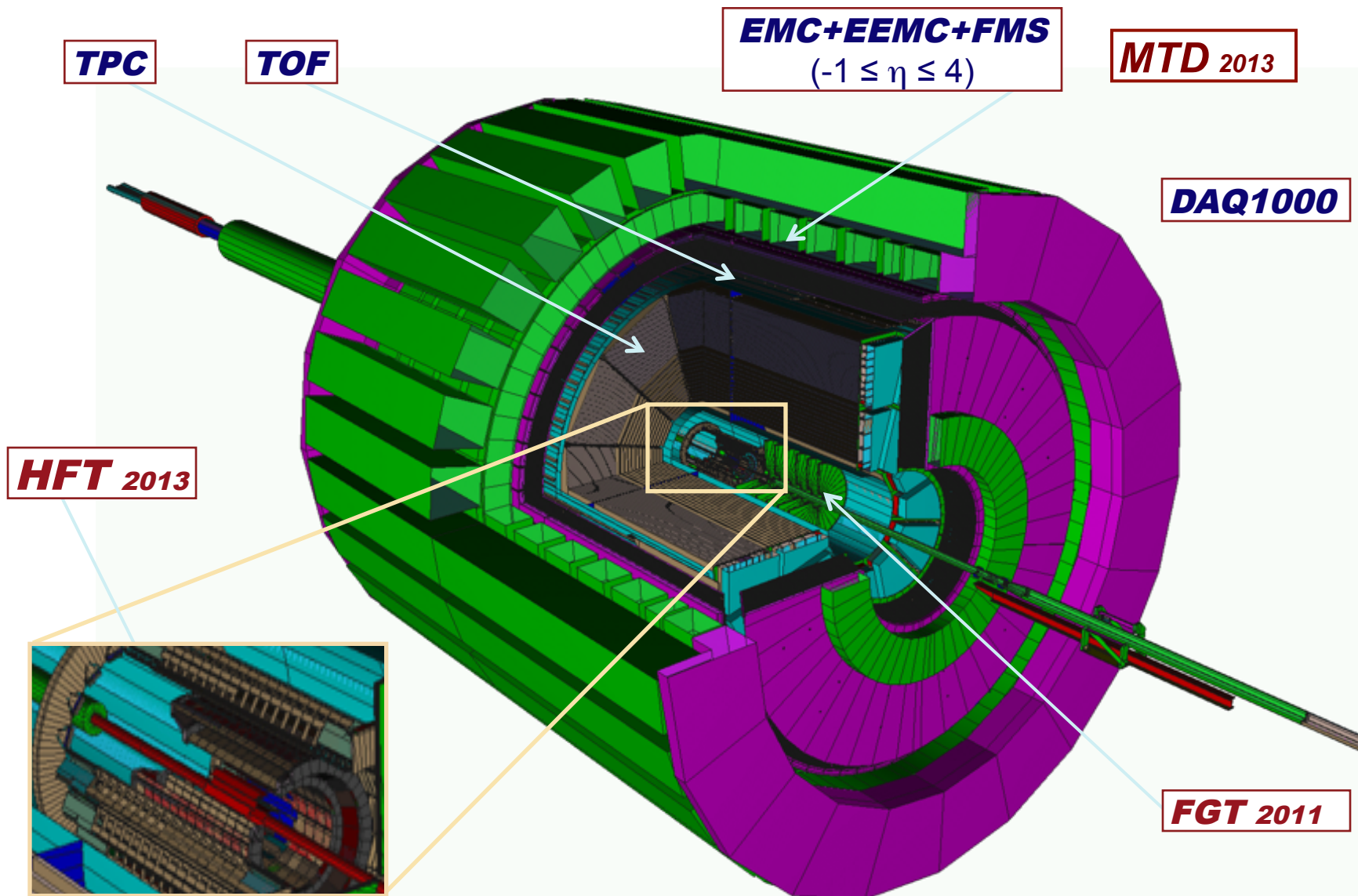
*STAR Beam Use Request for Runs 12, 13*

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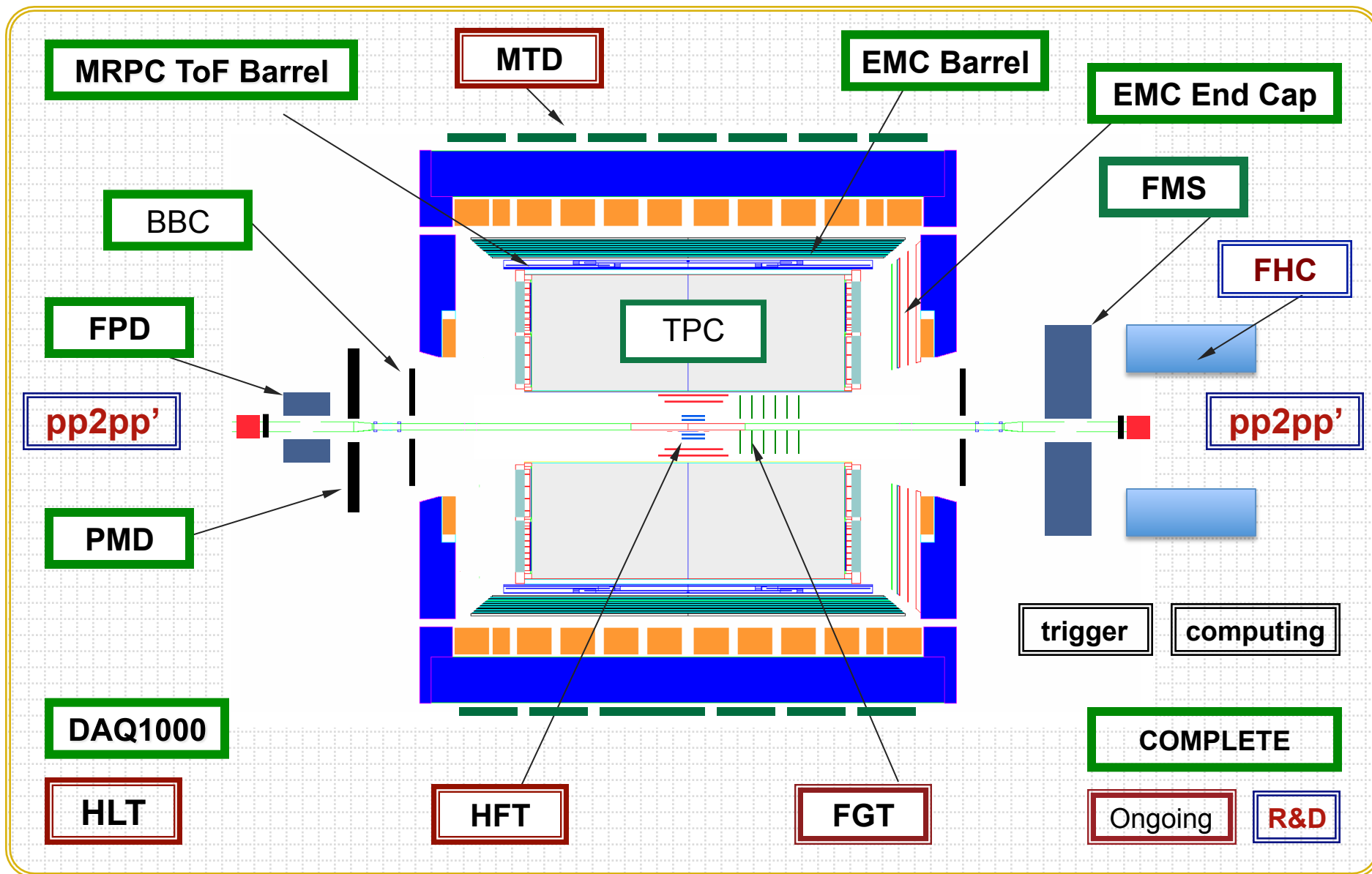


# STAR Detectors *Fast and Full azimuthal particle identification*

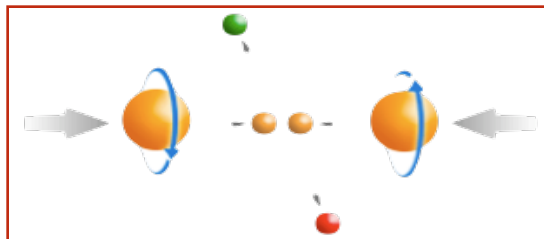




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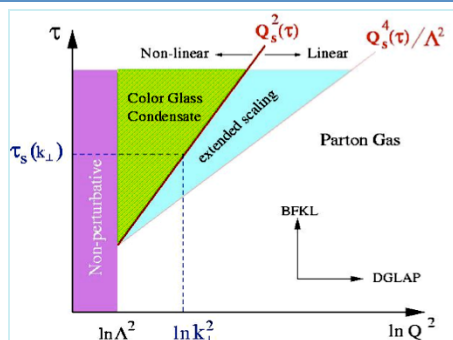


# STAR Physics Focus



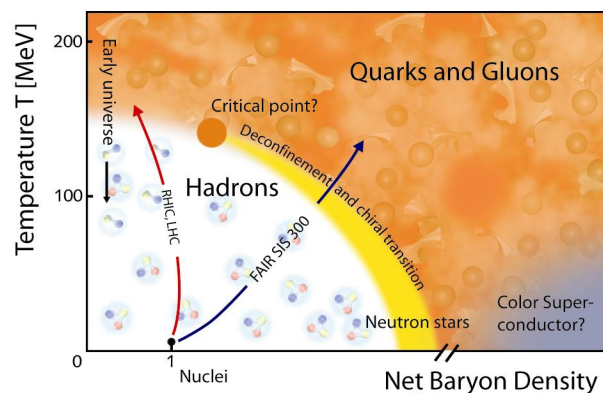
## Polarized $p+p$ program

- Study ***proton intrinsic properties***



## Forward program

- Study low-x properties, search for ***CGC***
- Study elastic (inelastic) processes (pp2pp)
- Investigate ***gluonic exchanges***



## 1) At 200 GeV top energy

- Study ***medium properties, EoS***
- pQCD in hot and dense medium

## 2) RHIC beam energy scan

- Search for the ***QCD critical point***
- Chiral symmetry restoration

# STAR BUR for Runs 12 and 13

Run	Beam Energy	Time	System	Goal
12	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 27 \text{ GeV}$	1 week	Au + Au	150M minbias
	$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$	3 weeks	p + p	FGT commissioning
		9 weeks	$p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	$P^2 \cdot L = 42 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ $P^4 \cdot L = 12 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
		1 week	$p_{\uparrow} p_{\uparrow}$	pp2pp at high $\beta^* = 7.5\text{m}$
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 193 \text{ GeV}$	6 weeks	U + U	200 M minbias 200 M central
13	$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$	8 weeks	$p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	long. $P^2 \cdot L = 50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
	$\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	10 weeks	$p_{\uparrow} p_{\uparrow}$ $p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	trans. $P^2 \cdot L = 7.2 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ long. $P^4 \cdot L = 7.1 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ $L = 60 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	6 weeks	Au + Au (Pb + Pb)	HFT & MTD engineering

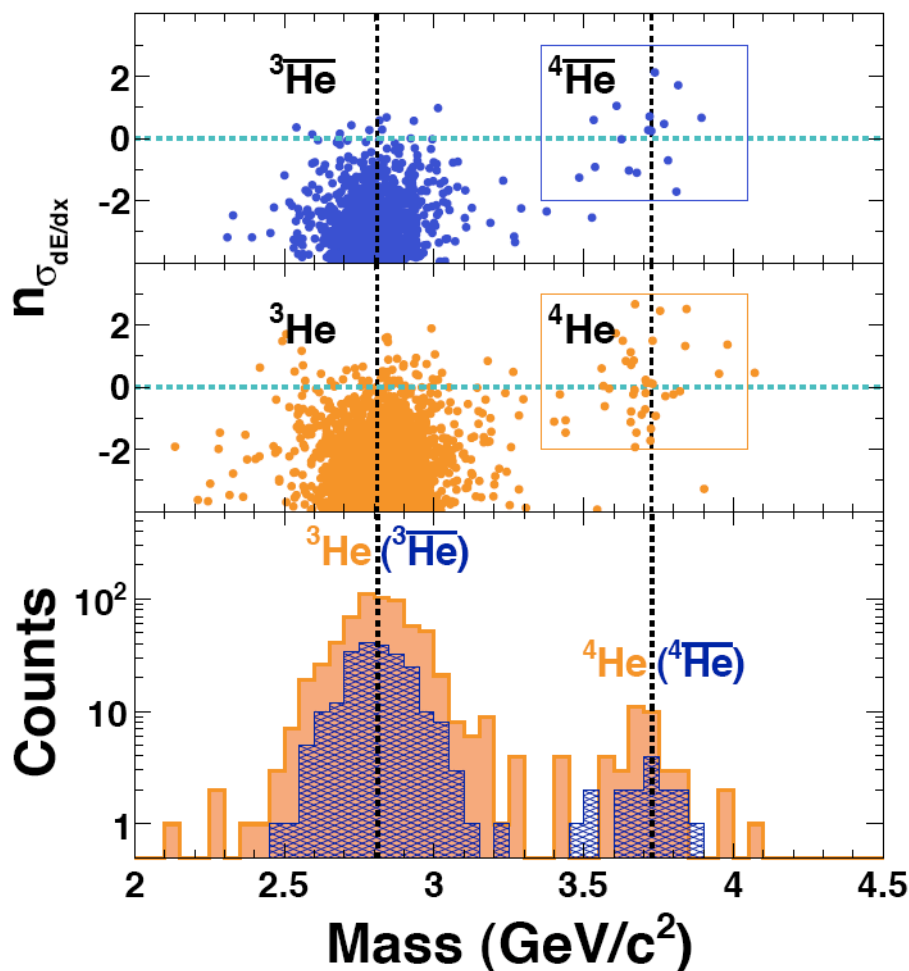
**Run 12:** 26 cryo-week. 500pp: 50% polarization

**Run 13:** 30 cryo-week. 500pp: 50% polarization // 200pp: 60-65% polarization

# Selected Results

- 1) 200 GeV results
- 2) Beam Energy Scan results
- 3) Spin Physics results

# Particle Identification at STAR (TPC + TOF + HLT)



- Clean Identification:  
TPC and ToF

$$m^2 = p^2 \left( \frac{1}{\beta^2} - 1 \right)$$

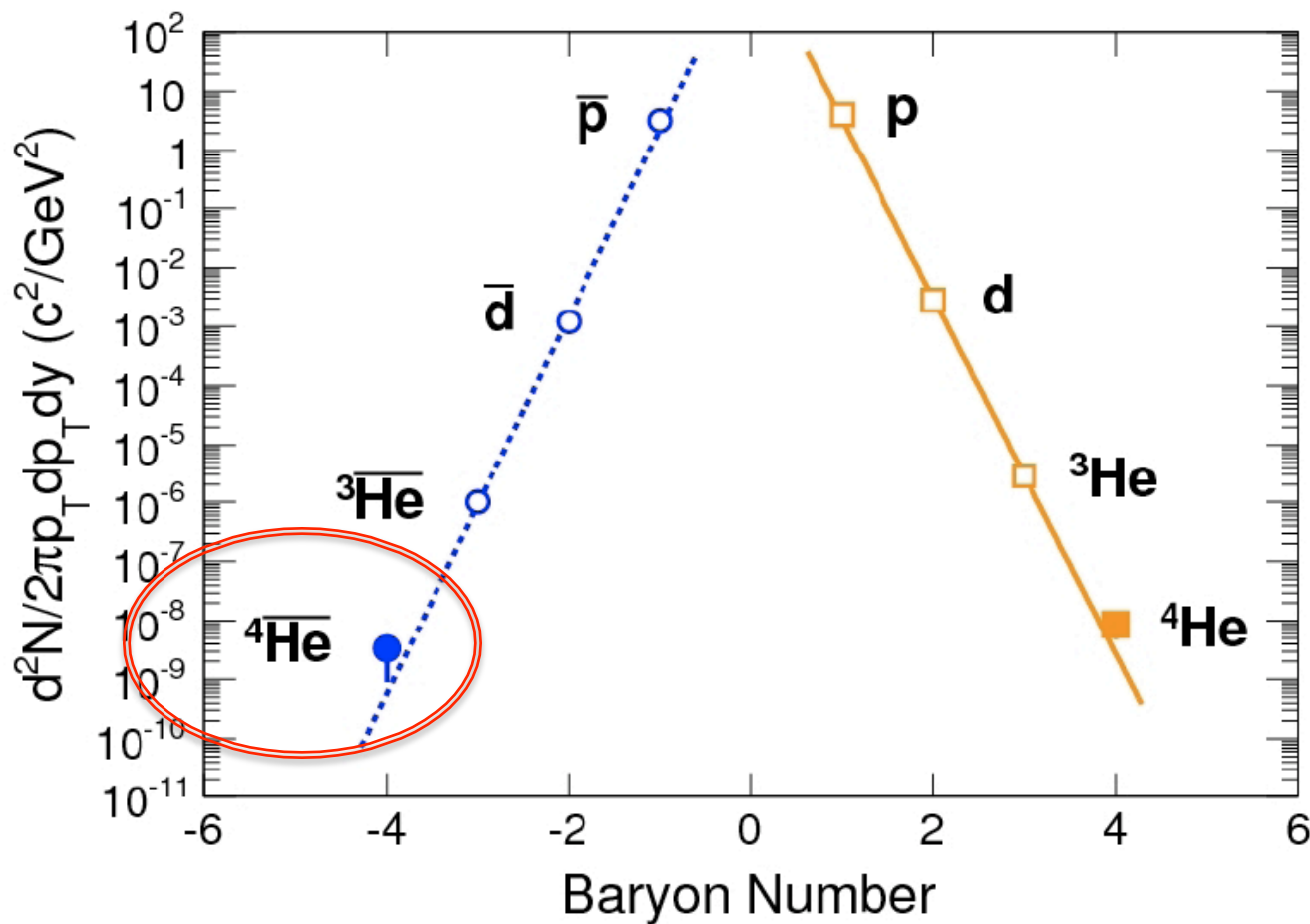
- China-US: Time of  
Flight (ToF) Detector

- High Level Trigger

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# Light Nuclei Production at RHIC



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# ★ STAR Antimatter Discoveries by STAR at RHIC

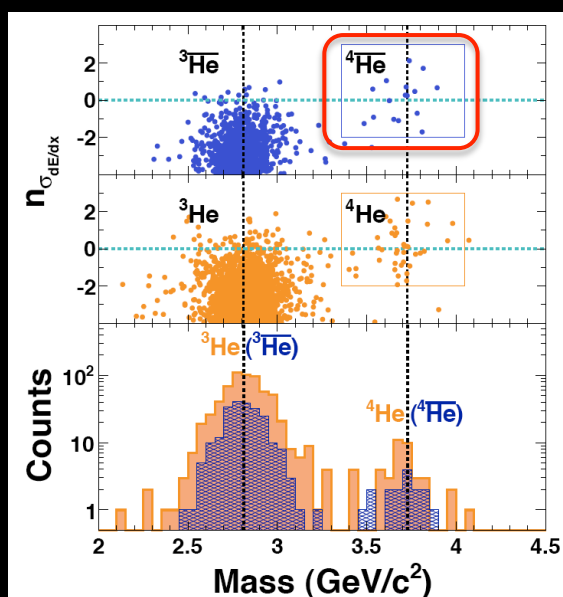
**nature**

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**“Observation of the  
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**by STAR Collaboration**

***Nature*, 473, 353(2011).**



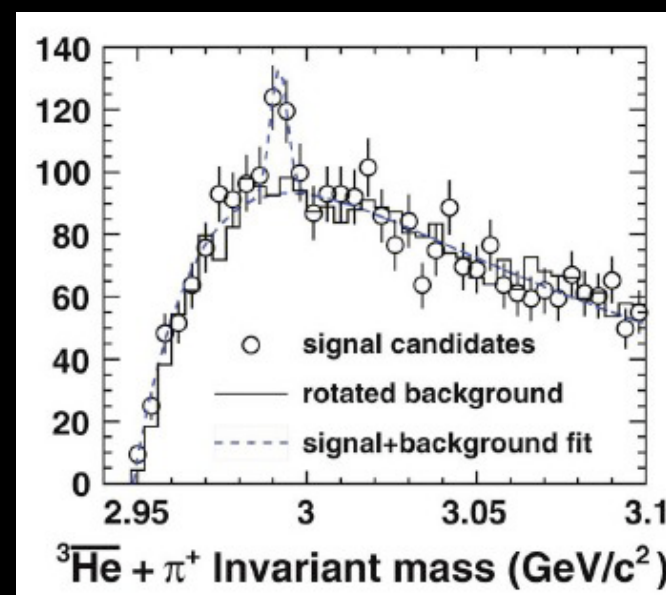
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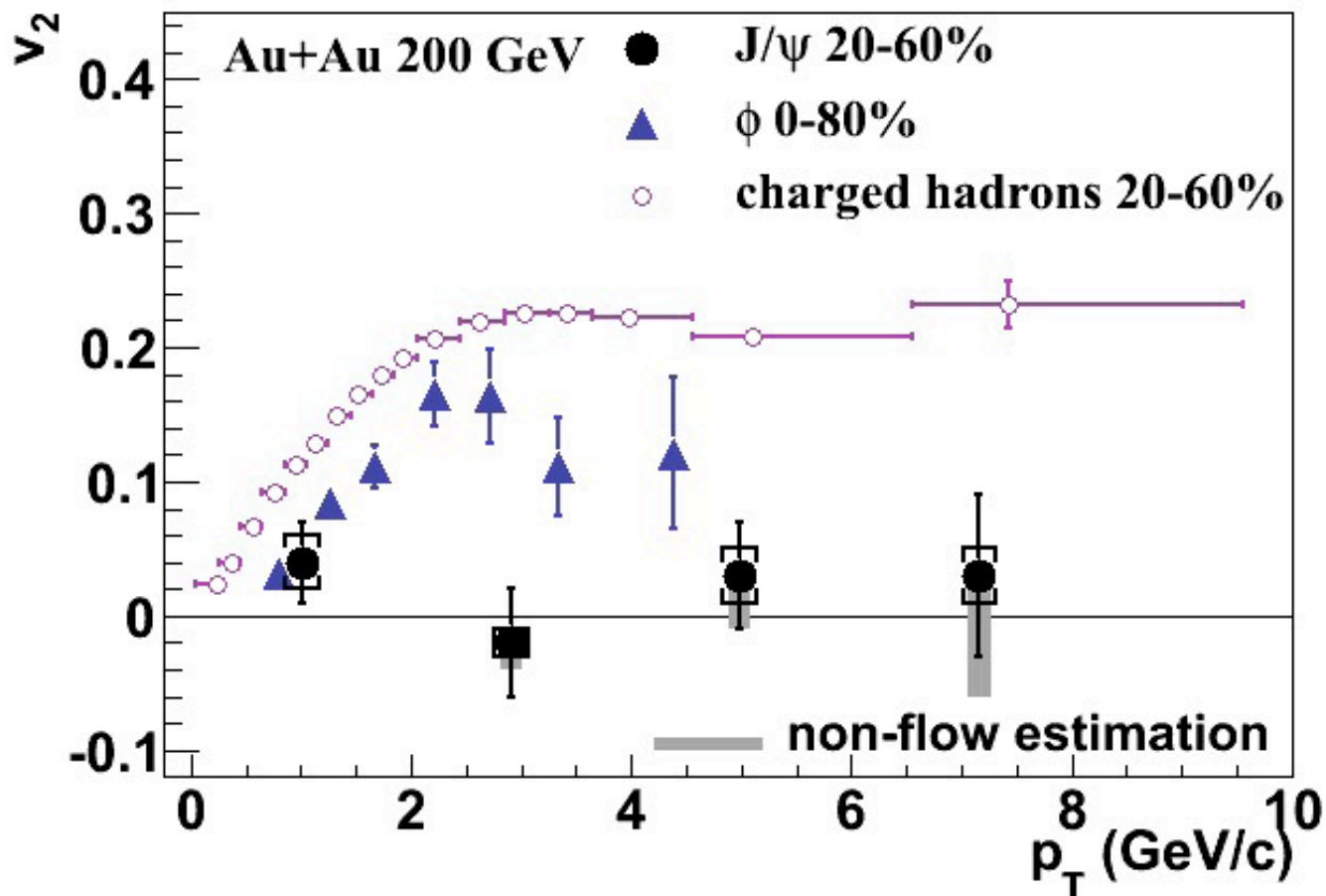
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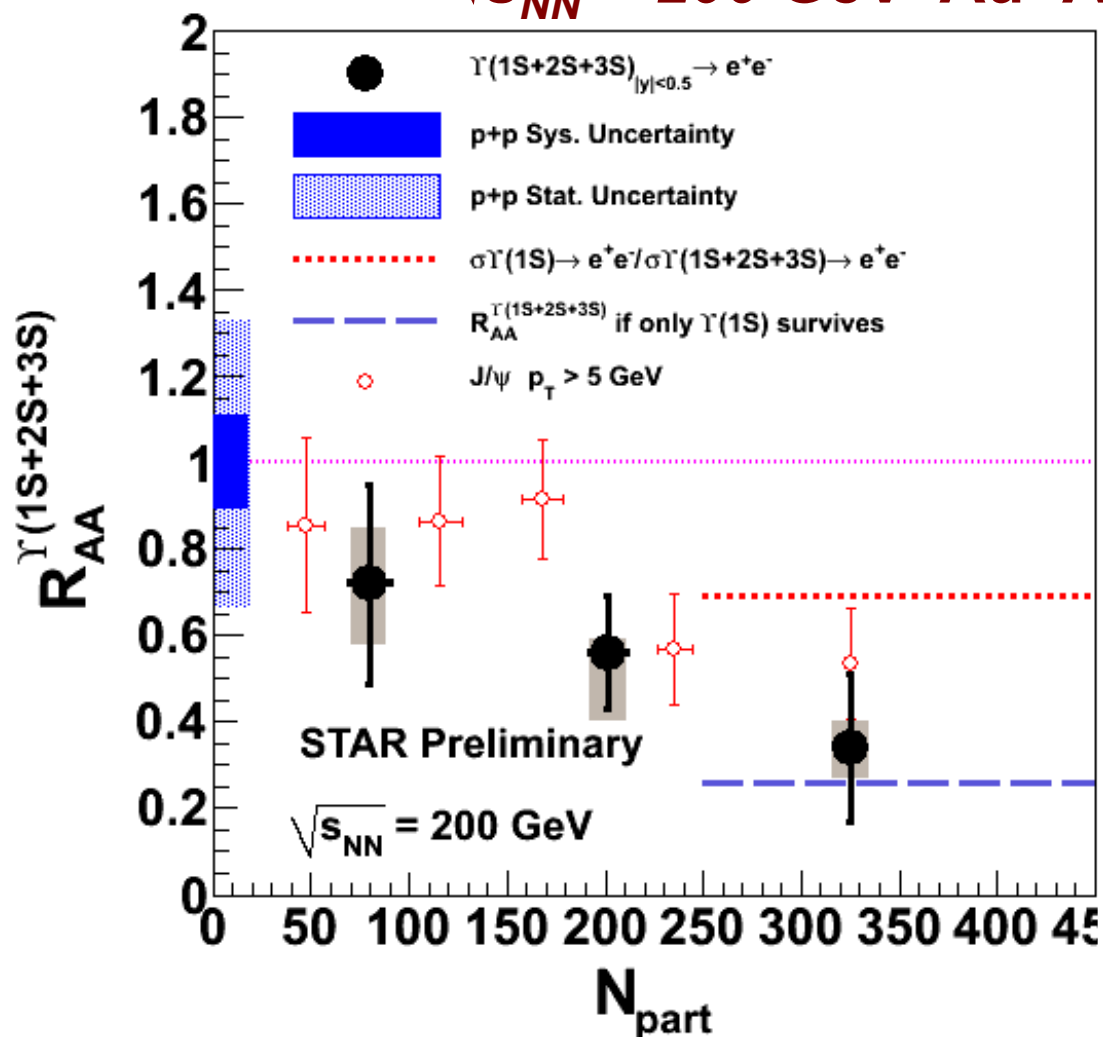
# $v_2$ of $J/\psi$ vs. $p_T$



- 1) STAR: **TPC + TOF + HLT**
- 2)  $v_2^{J/\psi}(p_T) \sim 0$  up to  $p_T = 8$  GeV/c in 200 GeV Au+Au collisions
- 3) Either **c-quarks do not flow** or **coalescence is not the dominant process for  $J/\psi$  production at RHIC.**

# $\Upsilon(1S+2S+3S) R_{AA}$

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$  Au+Au collisions



1) STAR Triggered

2) In central collisions,  $\Upsilon(1S+2S+3S)$  is suppressed,  $3\sigma$  away from  $R_{AA} = 1$ !

3)  $R_{AA} (0-60\%) = 0.56 \pm 0.11$  (stat) + 0.02 - 0.14 (sys)

$R_{AA} (0-10\%) = 0.34 \pm 0.17$  (stat) + 0.06 / - 0.07 (sys)

\*QM2011 flash talk



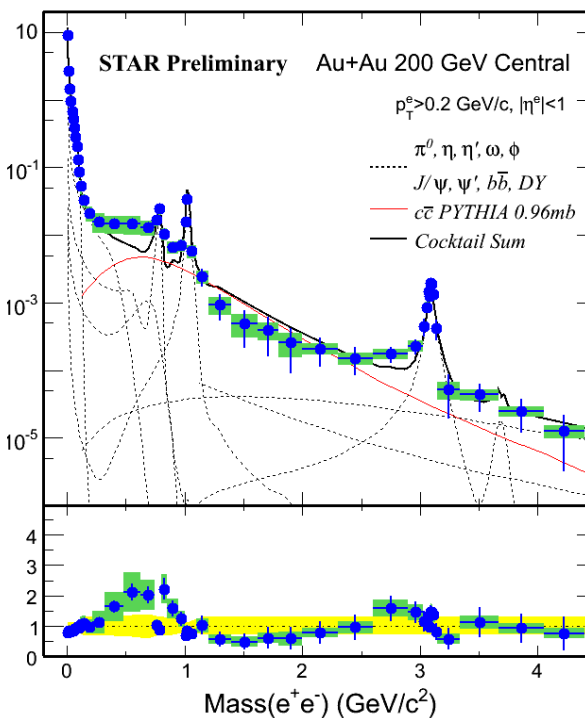
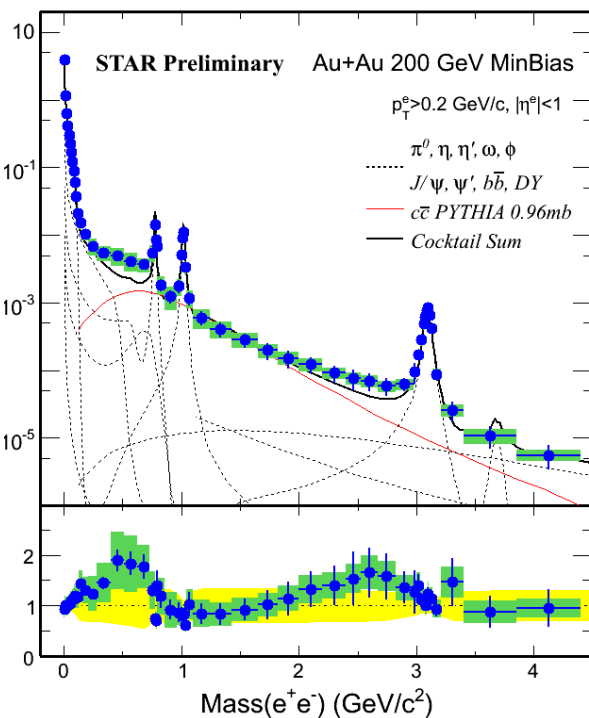
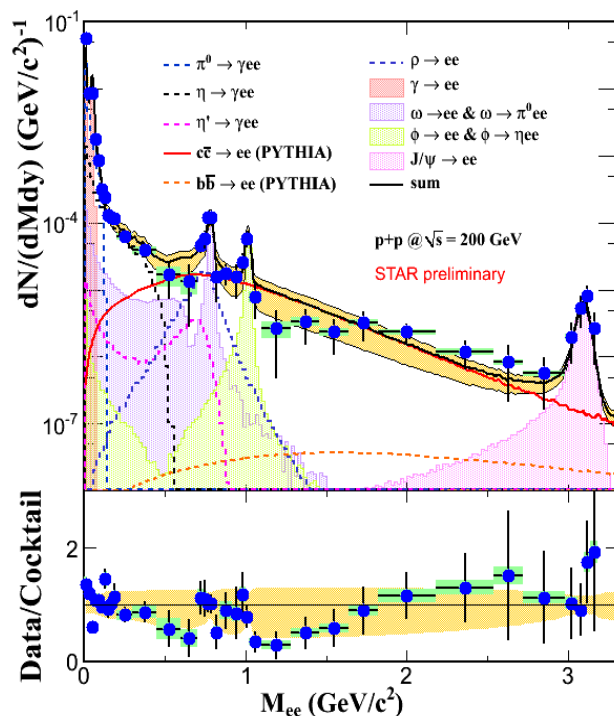
# STAR Di-electron Program

$\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

p+p

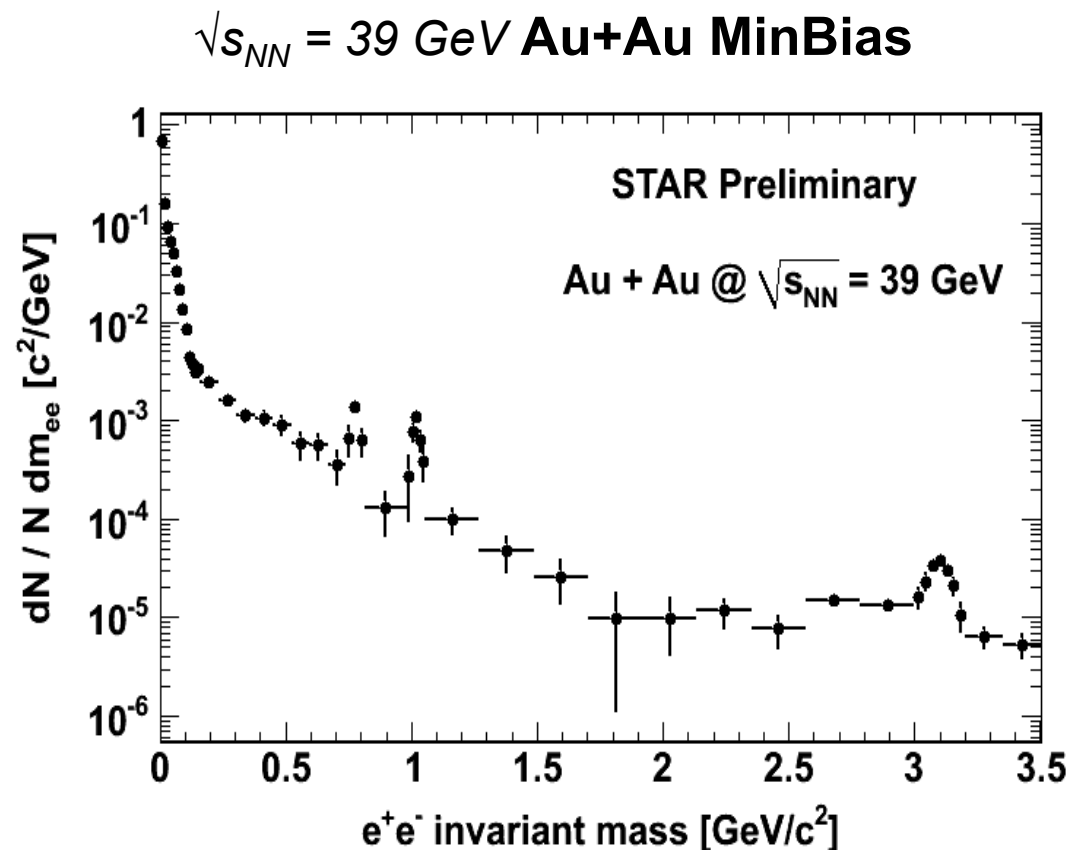
Au+Au MinBias

Au+Au Central



- 1) Direct radiation, penetrating-bulk probe, **new to STAR!**
- 2) Beam energy,  $p_T$ , centrality, mass dependence (8-10x more events):  
 **$R_{AA}$ ,  $v_2$ , radial expansion, HBT, polarization, ...**
- 3) HFT/MTD upgrades: key for the correlated charm contributions.

# STAR Di-electron Program



With the large acceptance and low material, STAR beam energy scan program:

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = \text{27, 39, 62.4, 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions}$

# RHIC Beam Energy Scan

## (Phase-I)

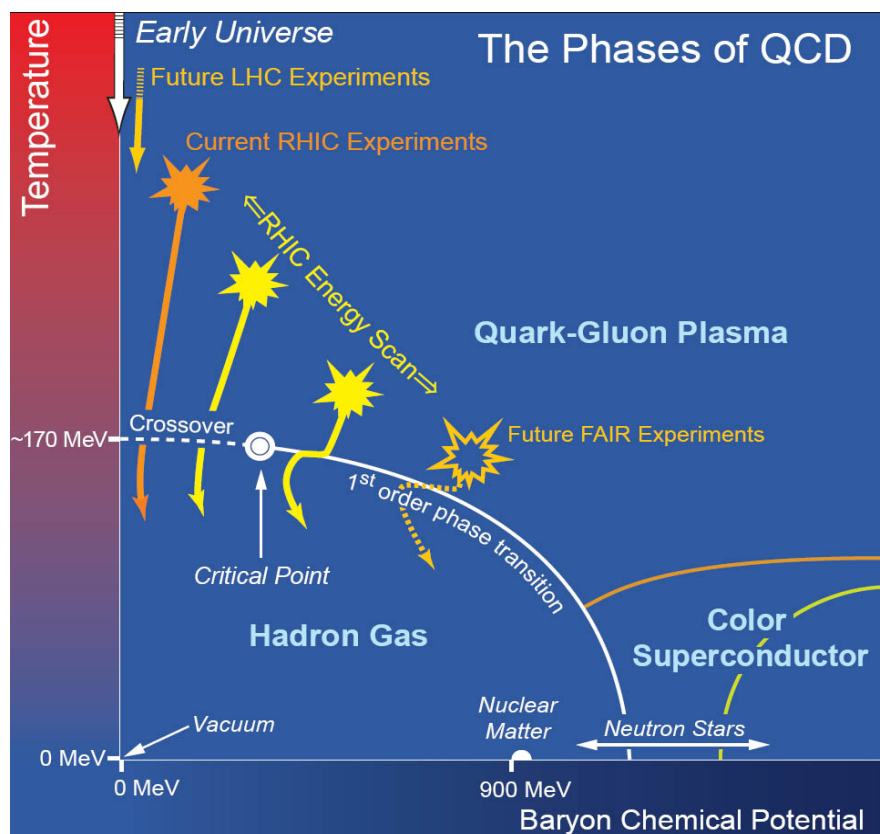
# Beam Energy Scan at RHIC

## Motivations:

Signals of phase boundary  
Signals for critical point

## Observations:

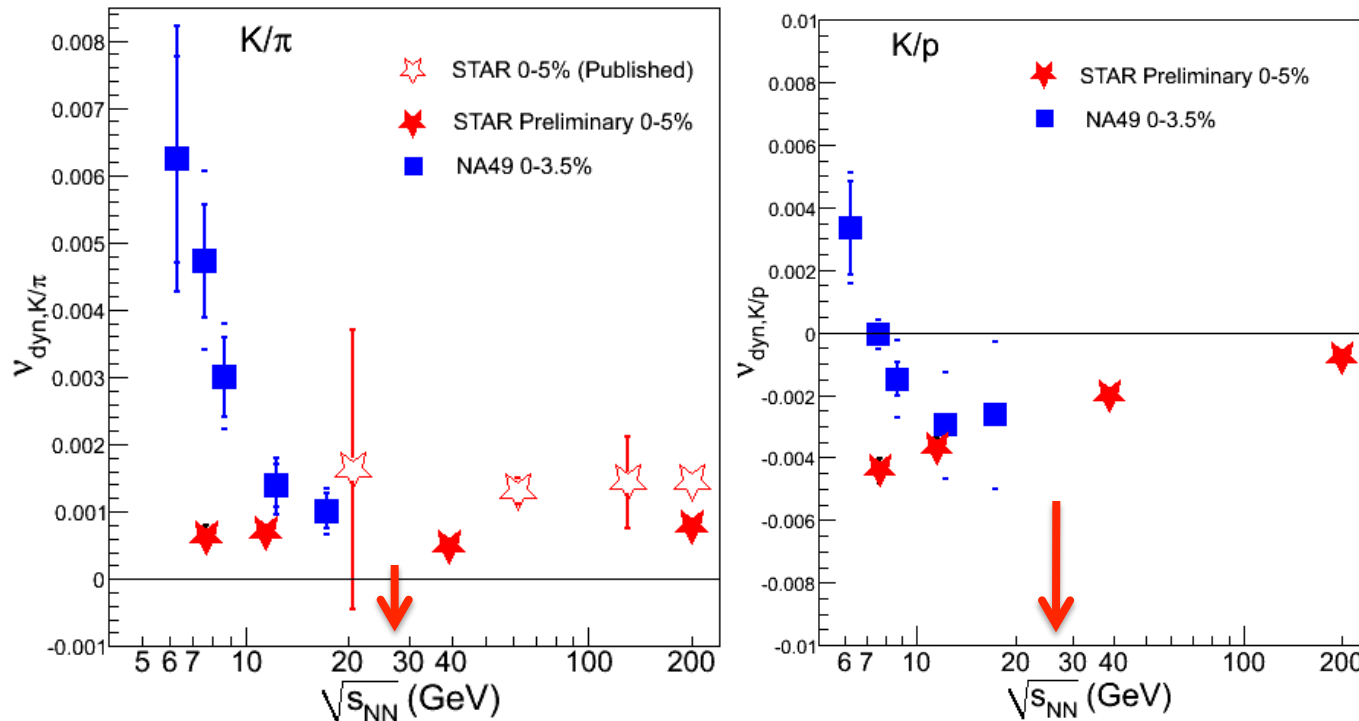
- (1)  $v_2$  - NCQ scaling:  
partonic vs. hadronic dof
- (2) Dynamical correlations:  
partonic vs. hadronic dof
- (3) Azimuthally HBT:  
1<sup>st</sup> order phase transition
- (4) Fluctuations:  
Critical points
- (5) Directed flow  $v_1$   
1<sup>st</sup> order phase transition



- <http://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/starnotes/public/sn0493>
- arXiv:1007.2613



# E-by-E Particle Ratio Fluctuations



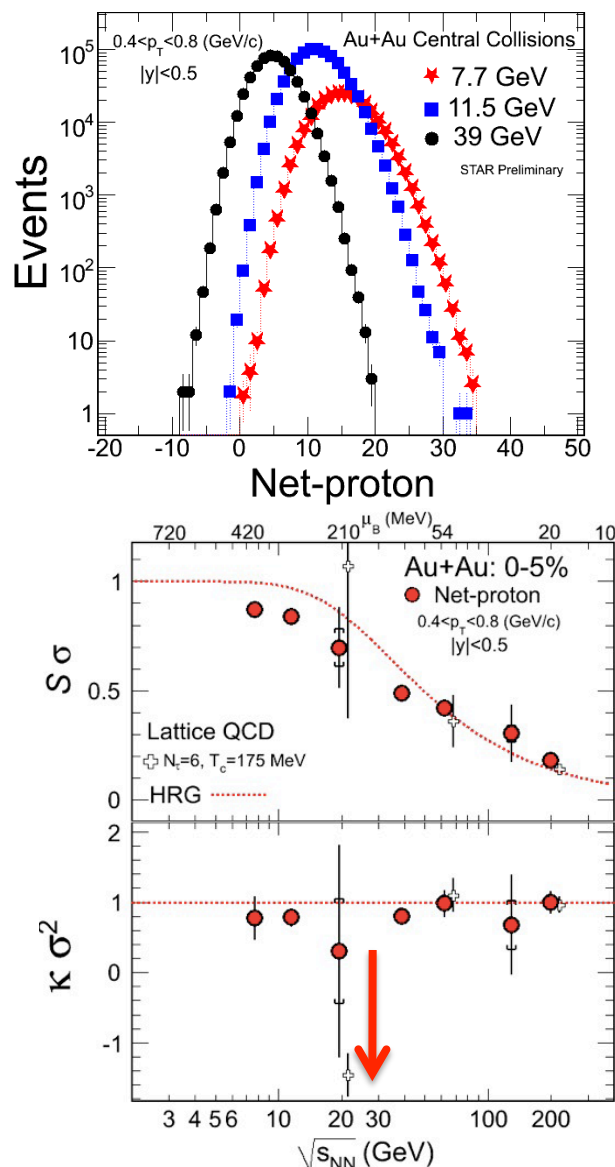
- 1) Fluctuations in particle ratios are sensitive to particle numbers at chemical FO not kinetic FO; the volume effects may cancel.

*S. Jeon, V. Koch, PRL 83, 5435 (1999)*

- 2) Apparent differences (results with Kaons) with SPS when  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} < 12$  GeV.



# Higher Moments of Net-protons



1) STAR results\* on net-proton high moments for Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200, 62.4$  and  $19.6$  GeV.

2) Sensitive to critical point\*\*:

$$\langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle \approx \xi^2, \quad \langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle \approx \xi^{4.5}, \quad \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle \approx \xi^7$$

3) Direct comparison with Lattice results\*\*:

$$S^* \sigma \approx \frac{\chi_B^3}{\chi_B^2}, \quad \kappa^* \sigma^2 \approx \frac{\chi_B^4}{\chi_B^2}$$

4) Extract susceptibilities and freeze-out temperature. An independent test on thermal equilibrium in HI collisions.

5) 17M good events at 19.6 GeV collected in Run 11.

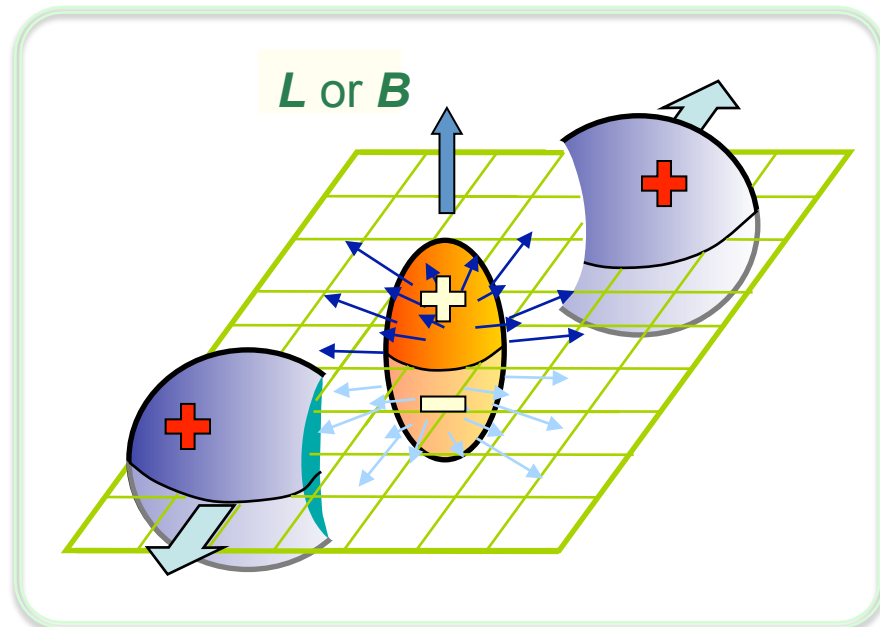
**6) Run12 request: 27 GeV Au+Au collisions!**

\* STAR: 1004.4959, PRL 105, 22303(2010).

\*\* M. Stephanov: PRL, 102, 032301(09).

\*\*\* R.V. Gavai and S. Gupta: 1001.2796.

# Search for Local Parity Violation in High Energy Nuclear Collisions



*The separation between the same-charge and opposite-charge correlations.*

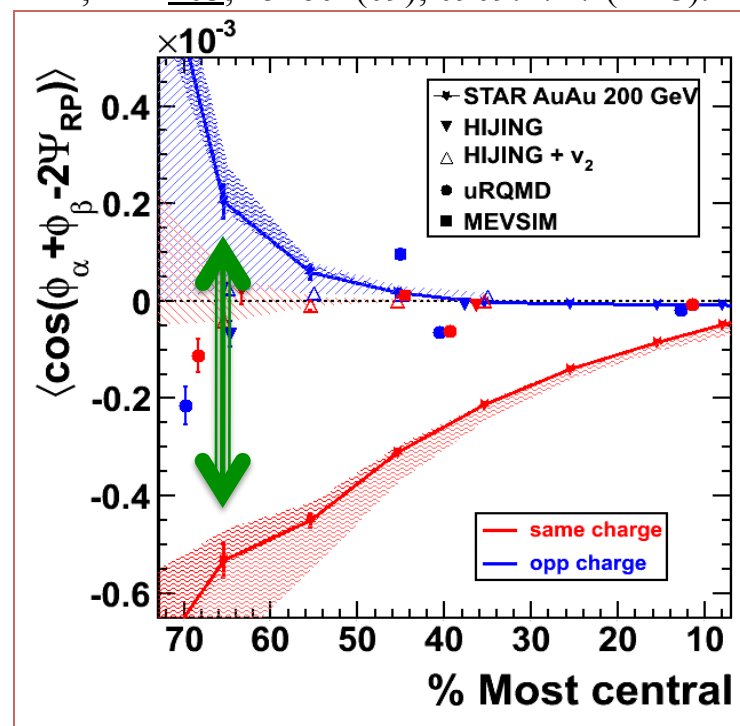
- Strong external EM field
- De-confinement and Chiral symmetry restoration

$$\langle \cos(\phi_\alpha + \phi_\beta - 2\Psi_{RP}) \rangle$$

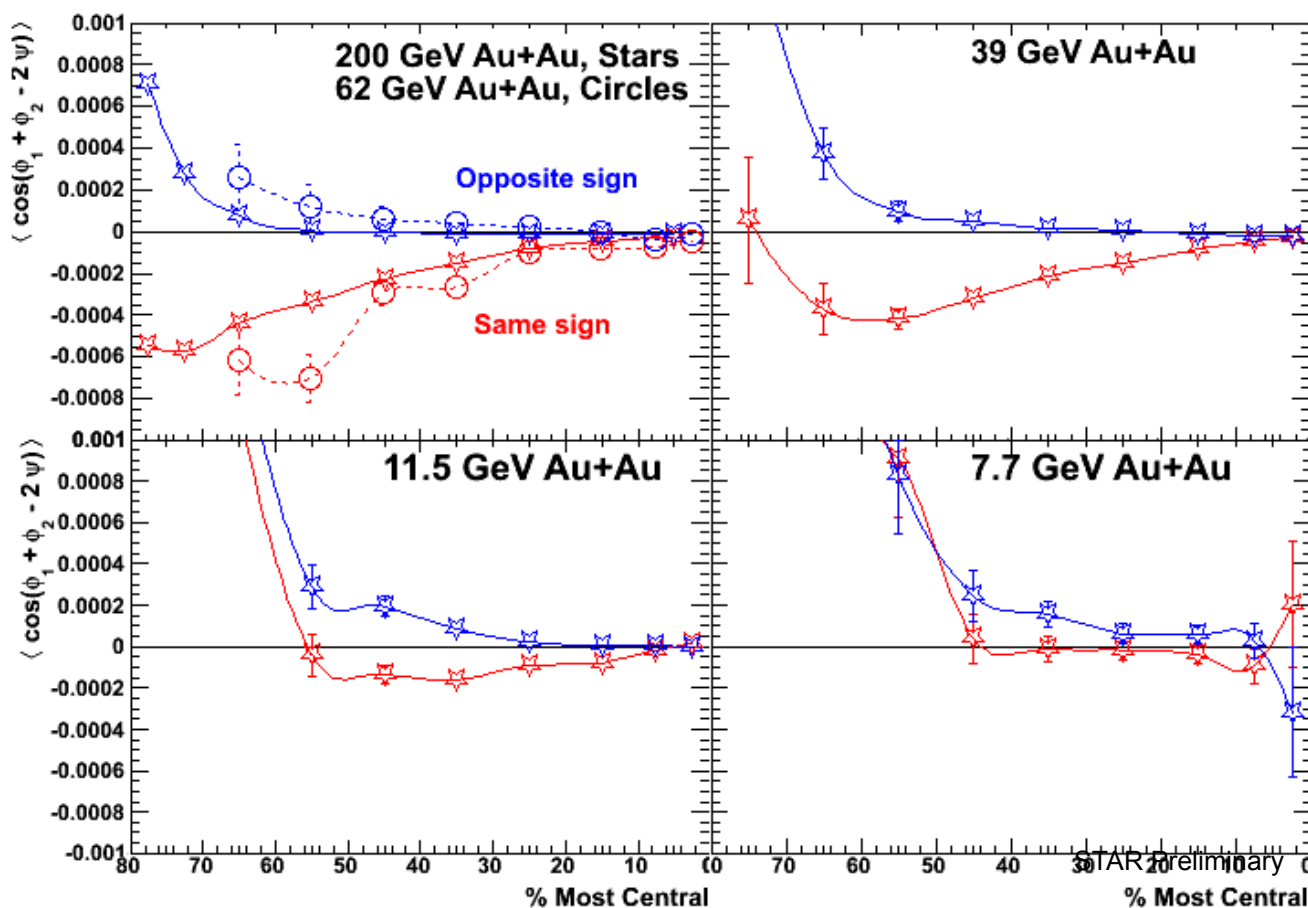
Parity even observable

Voloshin, PR C62, 044901(00).

STAR; PRL 103, 251601(09); 0909.1717 (PRC).



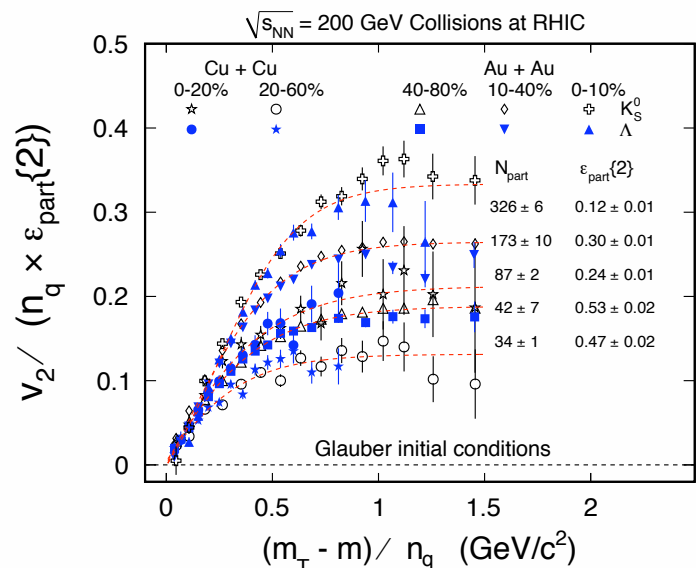
# LPV vs. Beam Energy



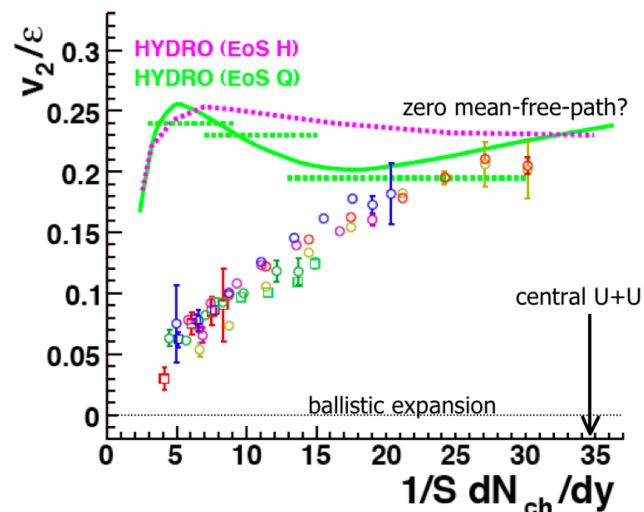
- 1) Difference between same- and opposite-sign correlations decreases as beam energy decreases
- 2) Same sign charge correlations become positive at 7.7 GeV
- 3) Several different approaches in the collaboration



# Systematic Results on Collectivity

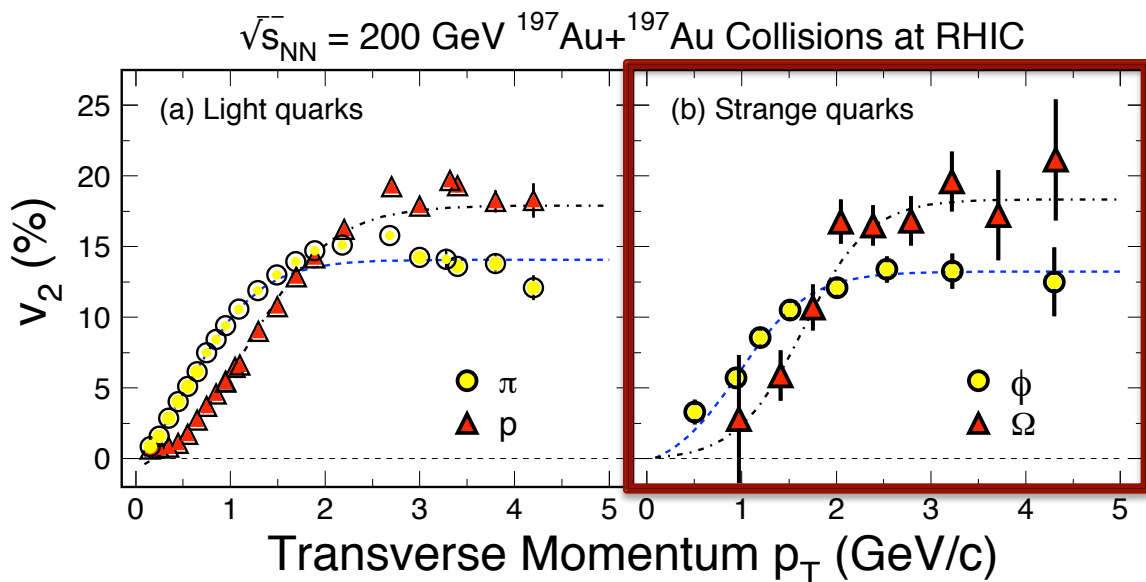


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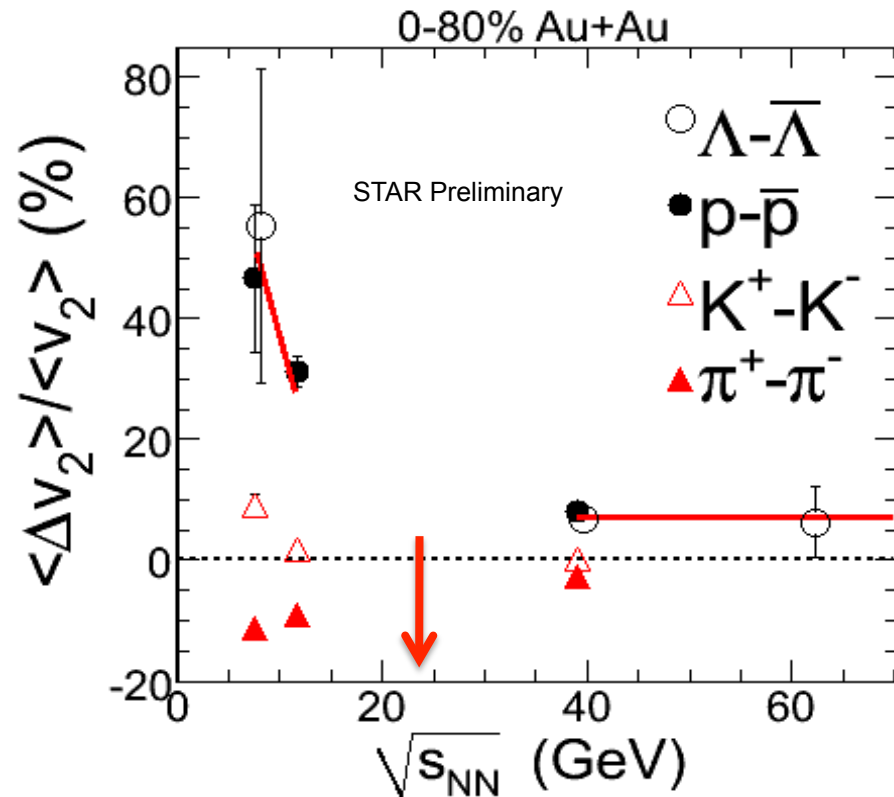
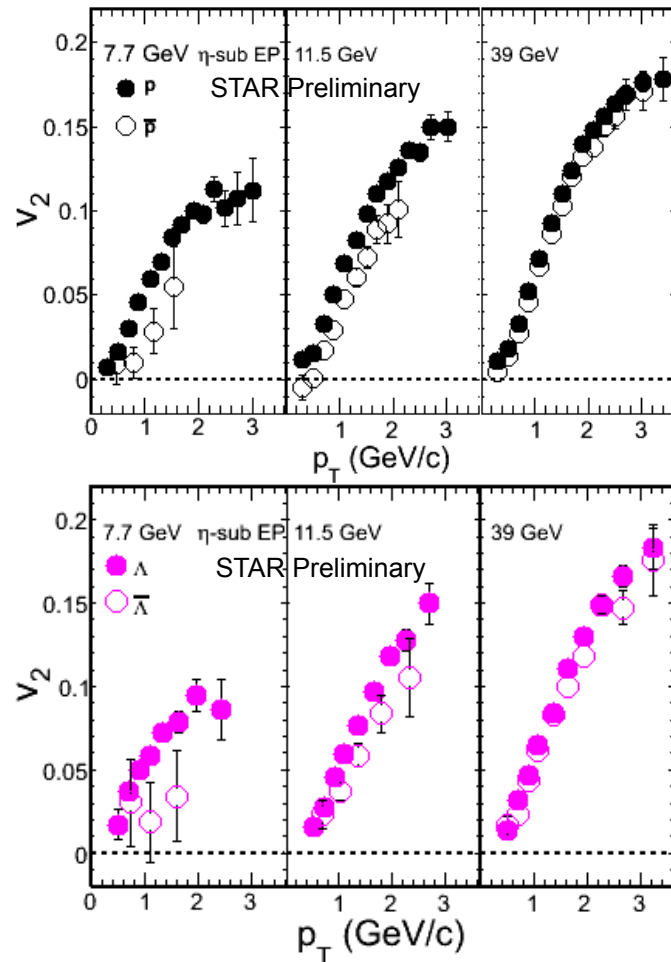
## Results:

- 1) Partonic collectivity at RHIC
  - 2) Number of constituent quark scaling – partonic degrees of freedom at play
- **Run 12 request:** UU collisions test the hydro limit, LPV, ...



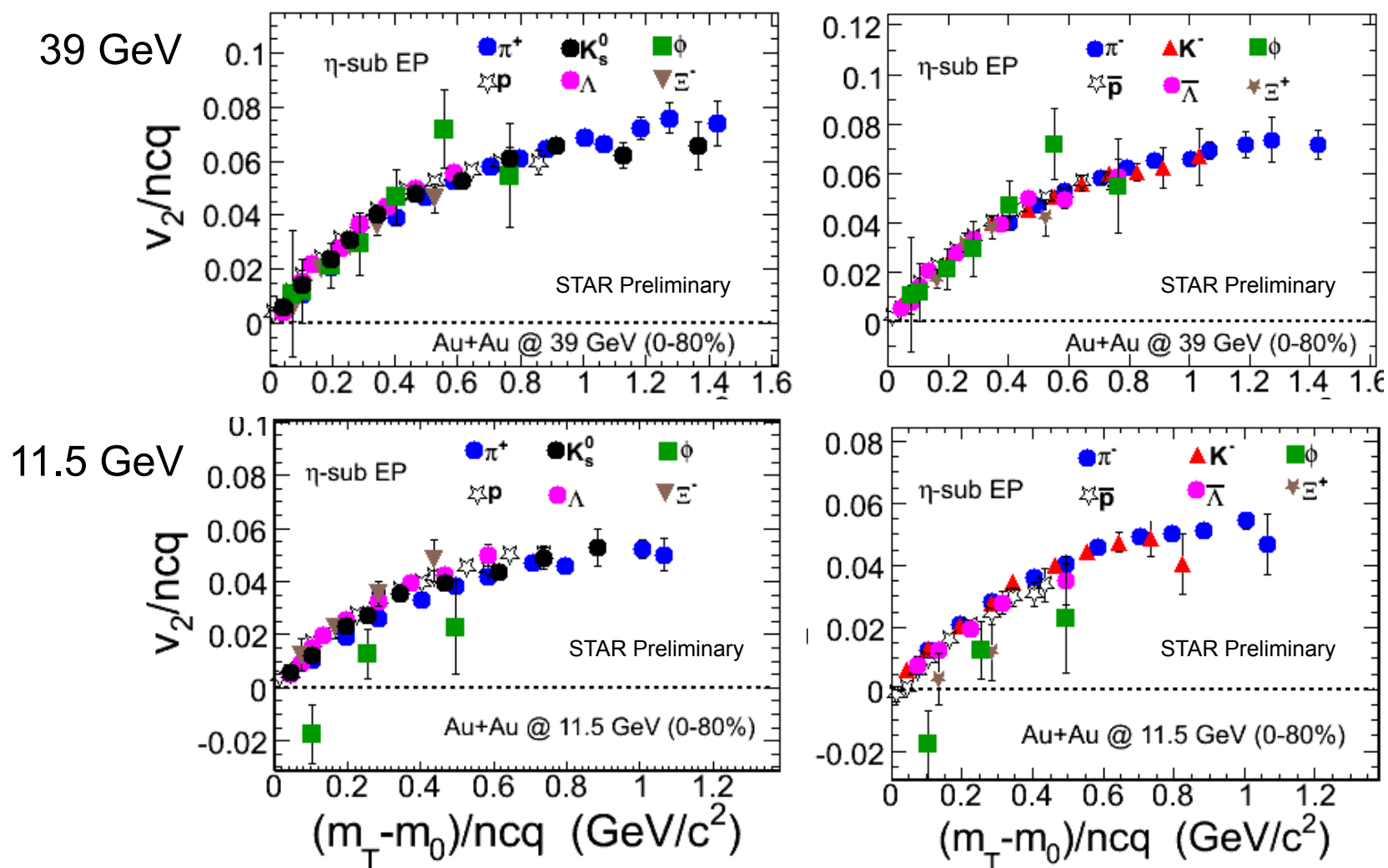


# Particle and Anti-Particle $v_2$ vs. $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



- 1)  $v_2(\text{baryon}) > v_2(\text{anti-baryon})$ ;  $v_2(\pi^+) < v_2(\pi^-)$  at 7.7 GeV
- 2) **Run 12 request:** 27 GeV Au+Au collisions

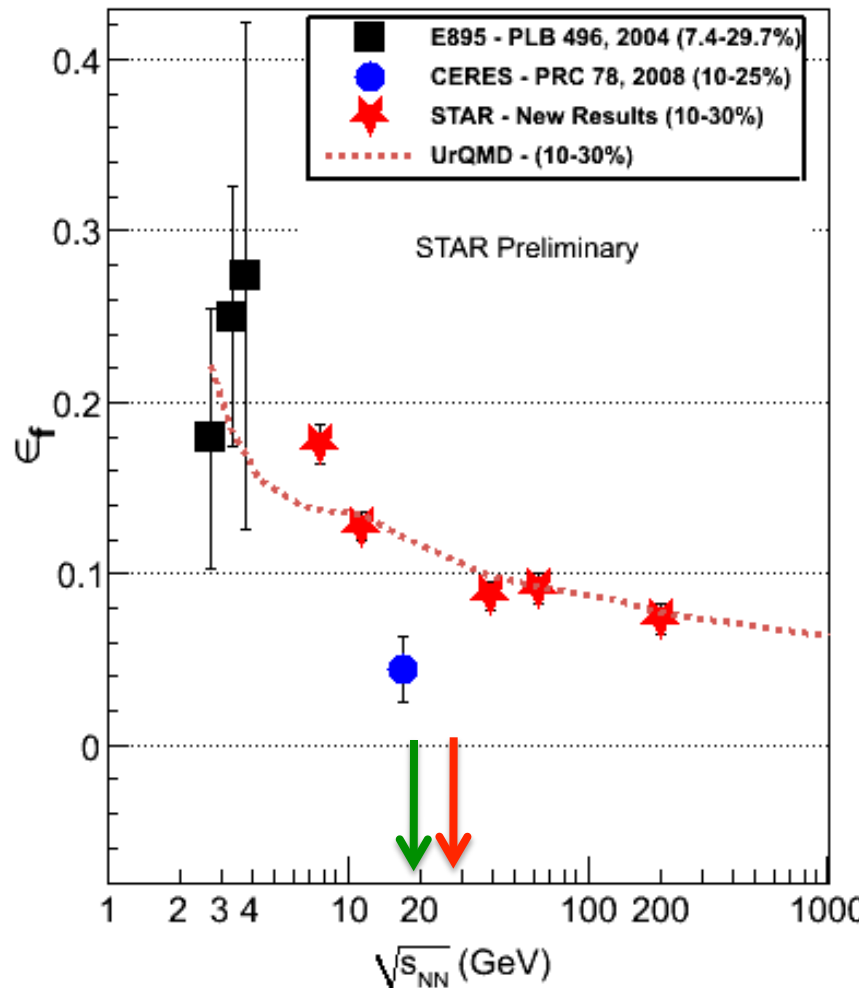
# $v_2$ Scaling vs. Beam Energy



$\phi$  meson  $v_2$  falls off the scaling trend from other hadrons at 11.5 GeV



# Azimuthally Sensitive HBT vs. $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



Freeze-out eccentricity w.r.t react plane:  
 $(R_y^2 - R_x^2) / (R_y^2 + R_x^2) = 2 R_{s,2}^2 / R_{s,0}^2$

E895: PLB 496 (2000) 1  
 CERES: PRC 78 (2008) 064901  
 STAR: PRL 93 (2004) 012301

Expt	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	Centrality	$\eta$	Event Plane
AGS/ E895	2.35,3.0, 3.6	7.4 - 29.7	+/- 0.6	1 <sup>st</sup> order
SPS/ CERES	17.3	7.5 - 25	-1.0 - 0.5	2 <sup>nd</sup> order
RHIC/ STAR	7.7, 11.5, 39, 62.4 200	5 - 30	+/- 0.5	2 <sup>nd</sup> order

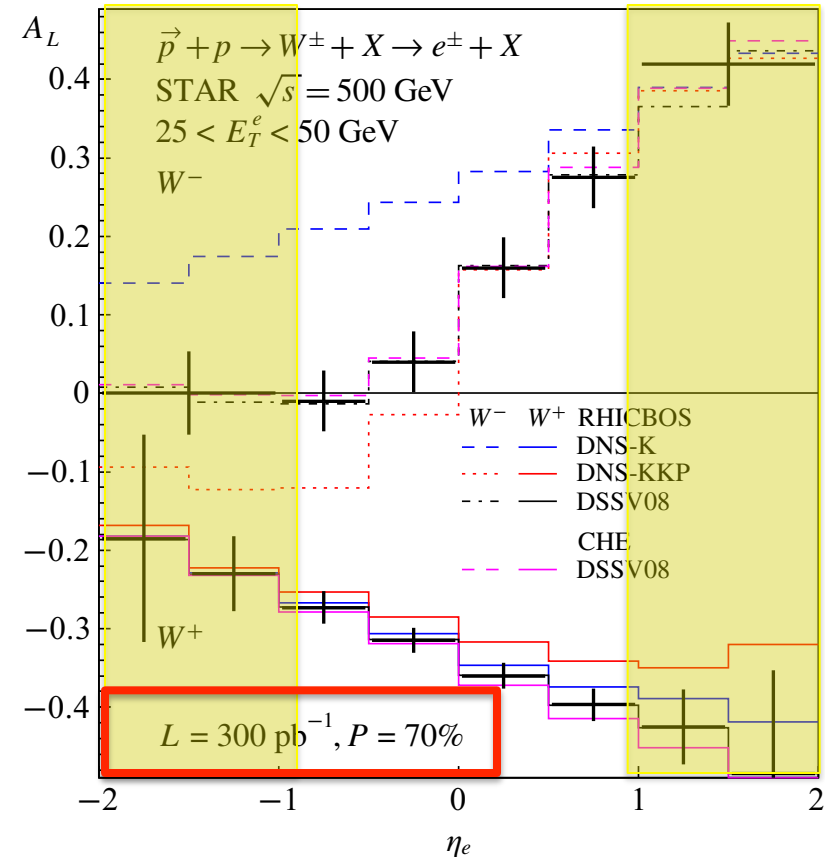
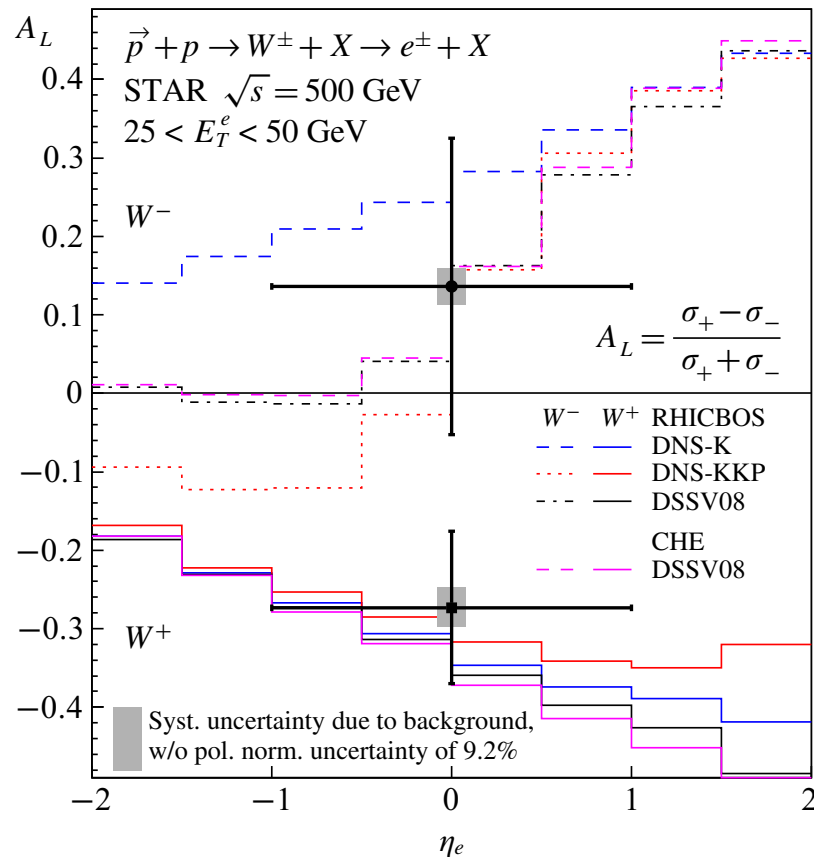
- 1) Non-monotonic variation in freeze-out eccentricity vs. beam energy
- 2) UrQMD (and hydro) model **does not** reproduce the dip by CERES.

# Spin Physics Results





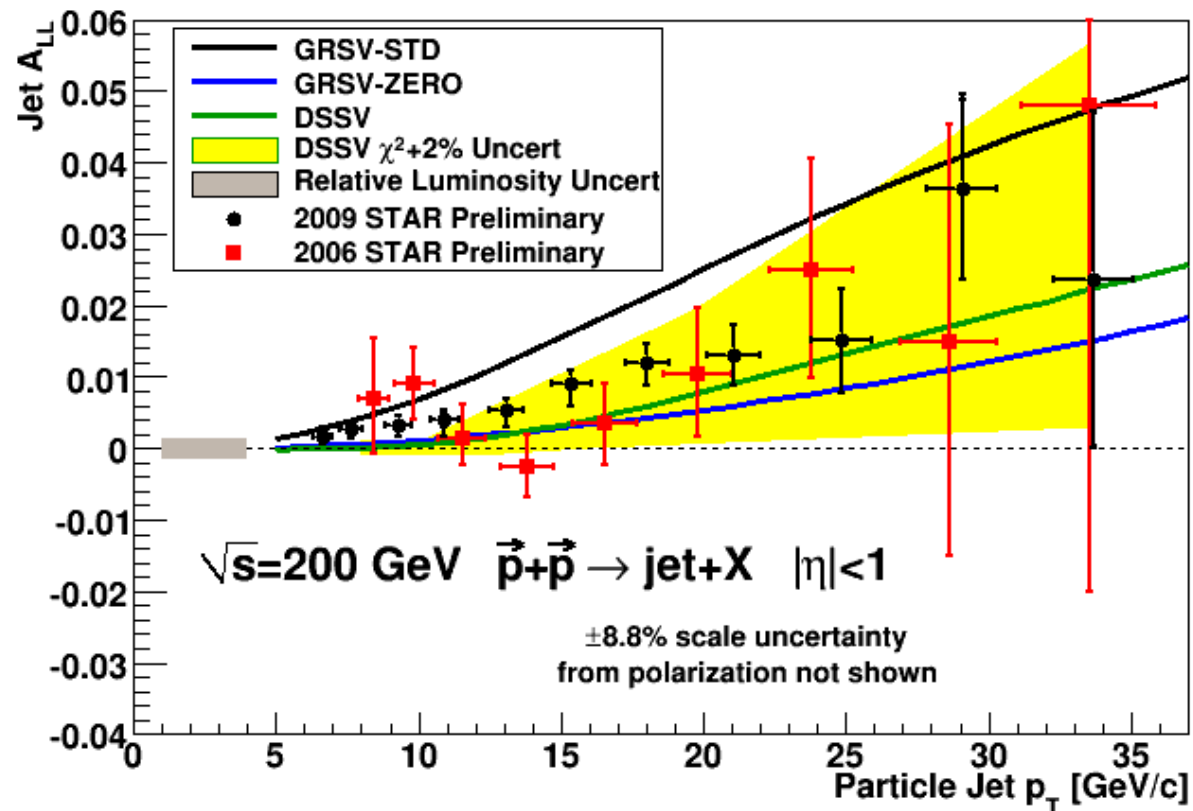
# Quark Flavor Measurements: $W^\pm$



- 1) STAR first results\* consistent with models: Universality of the helicity distribution functions!
- 2) Precision measurements require **large luminosity** and **high polarization** at RHIC!

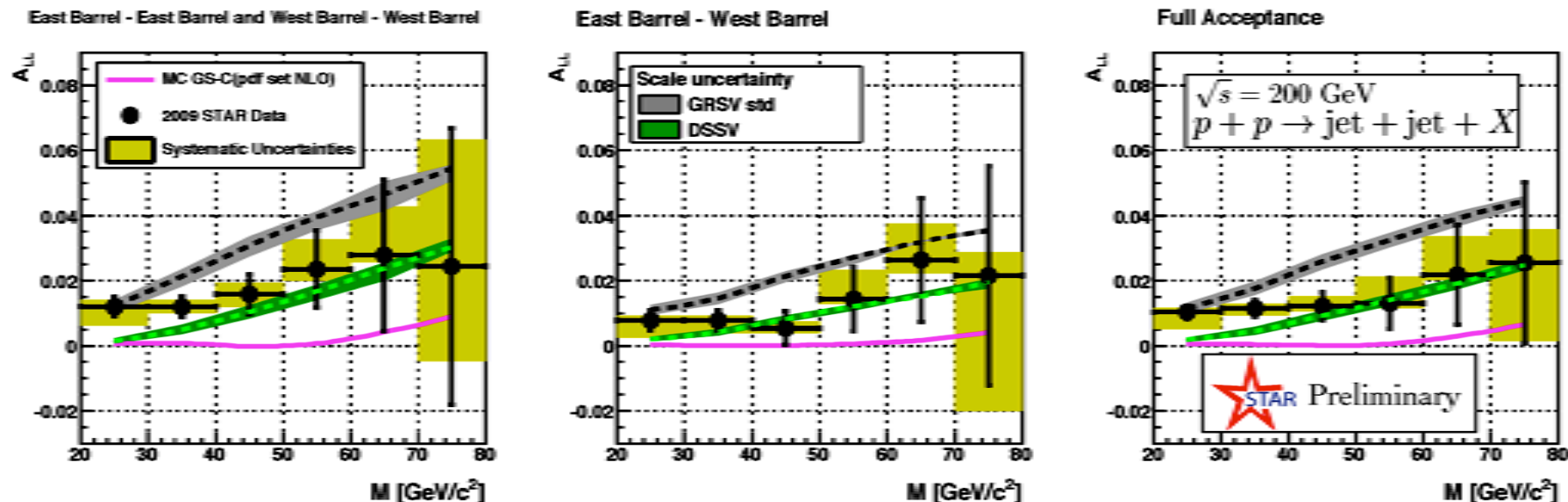
\* STAR: PRL 106, 62002(2010).

# STAR $A_{LL}$ from 2006 to 2009



- 2009 **STAR**  $A_{LL}$  measurements:
- **Results fall between predictions from DSSV and GRSV-STD**
- Precision sufficient to merit finer binning in pseudorapidity

# STAR di-jet $A_{LL}$ (2009)



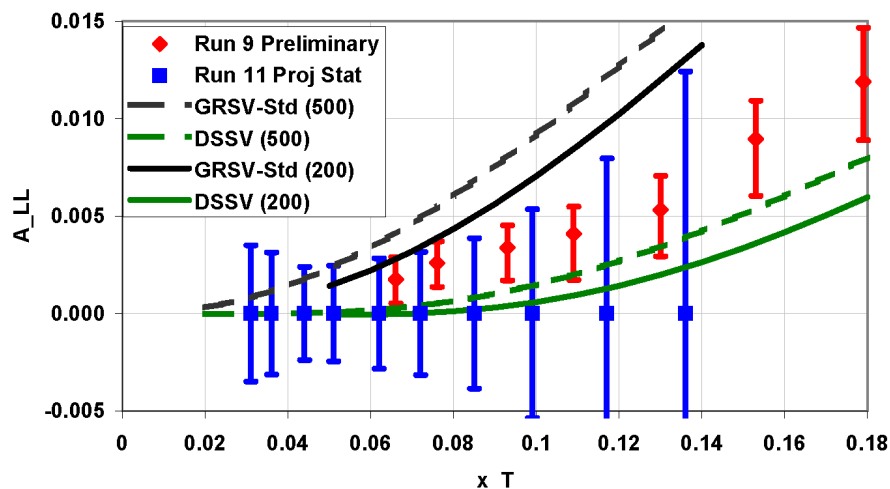
- For fixed  $M$ , different kinematic regions sample different  $x$  ranges
  - East-east and west-west sample higher  $x_1$ , lower  $x_2$ , and smaller  $|\cos(\theta^*)|$
  - East-west samples lower  $x_1$ , higher  $x_2$ , and larger  $|\cos(\theta^*)|$
- $A_{LL}$  falls between DSSV and GRSV-STD



# Expected inclusive jet $A_{LL}$ precision

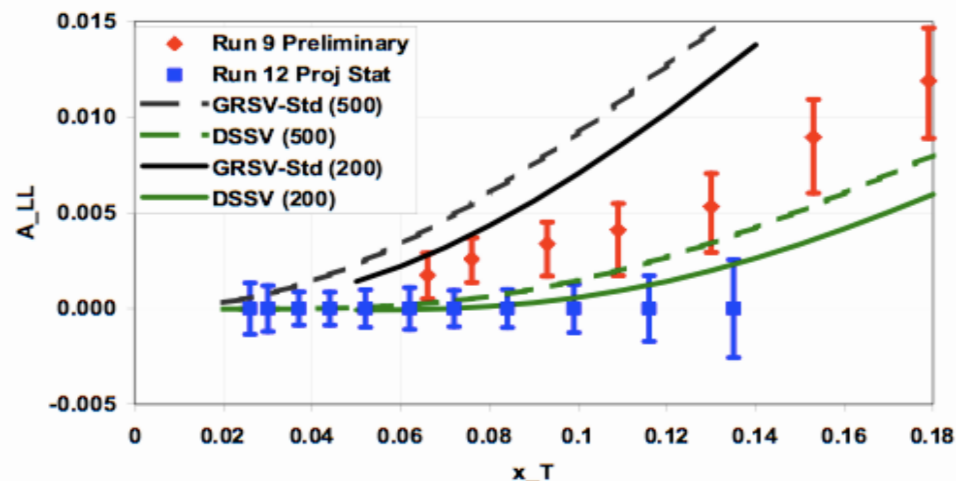
Run 11

Inclusive Jet  $A_{LL}$  for  $|\eta| < 1$



Run 12

Inclusive Jet  $A_{LL}$  for  $|\eta| < 1$

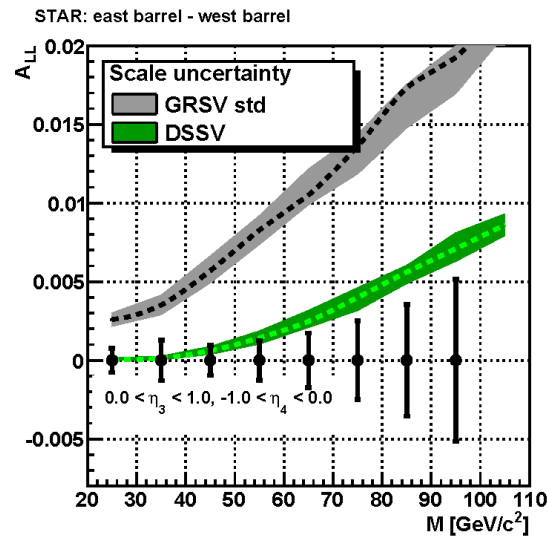
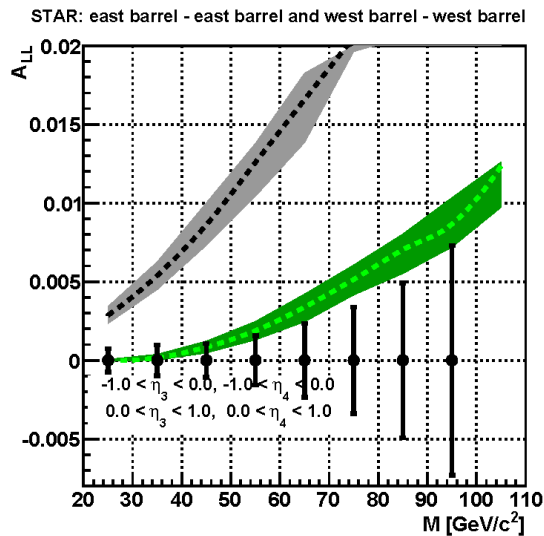
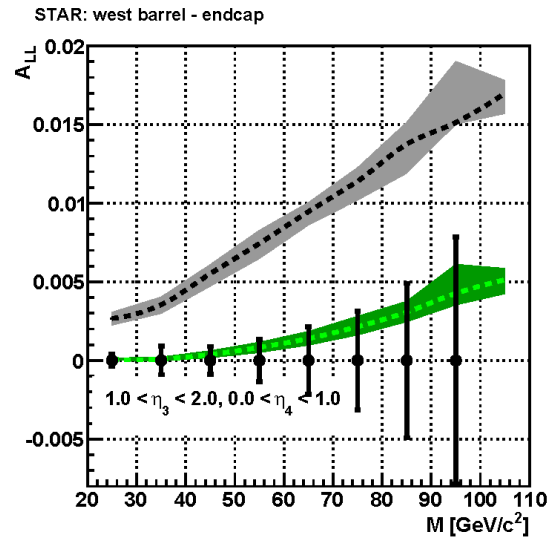
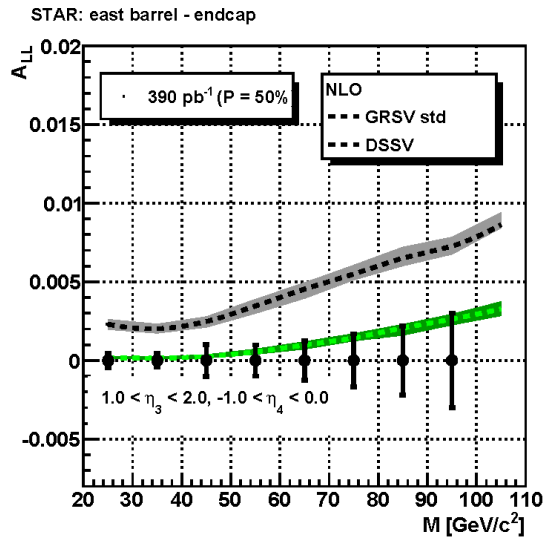


- Run 12 will provide a very useful complement to Run 9
- During Run 13, we can further reduce the 200 GeV uncertainties compared to Run 9 by:
  - A factor of  $\sim 2$  for jet  $p_T > \sim 12$  GeV
  - A factor of  $\sim \sqrt{2}$  for jet  $p_T < \sim 12$  GeV



# Projected Sensitivity at 500 GeV

Assumes 600 pb<sup>-1</sup> delivered @ P = 50%



$$x_1, x_2 = \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}} \exp\left(\pm \frac{\eta_3 + \eta_4}{2}\right)$$

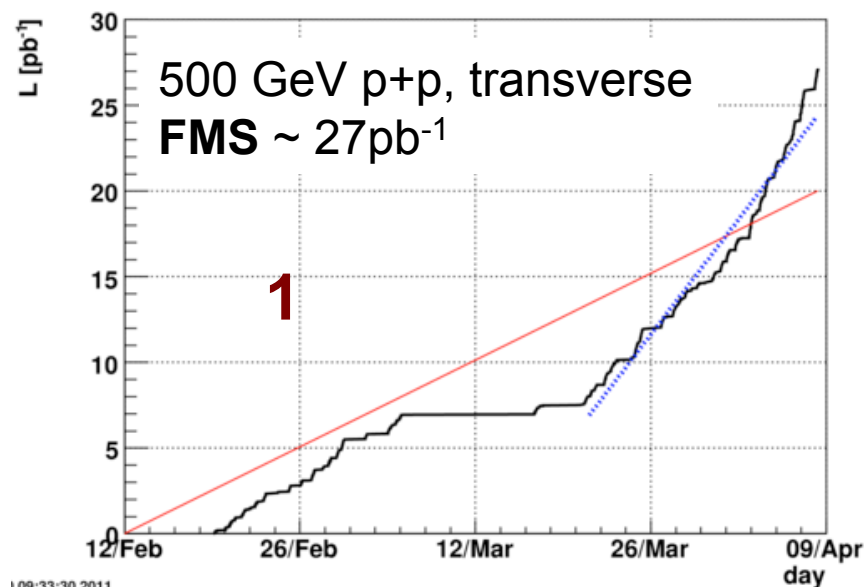
- Higher energy accesses lower  $x_g$
- Expect smaller  $A_{LL}$
- Projections include information on trigger rates, etc., from 2009
- Uncertainties shown are purely statistical
- Maybe add EEMC-EEMC di-jets to reach lowest  $x$  values once FGT is installed (?)

# Run 11 Status

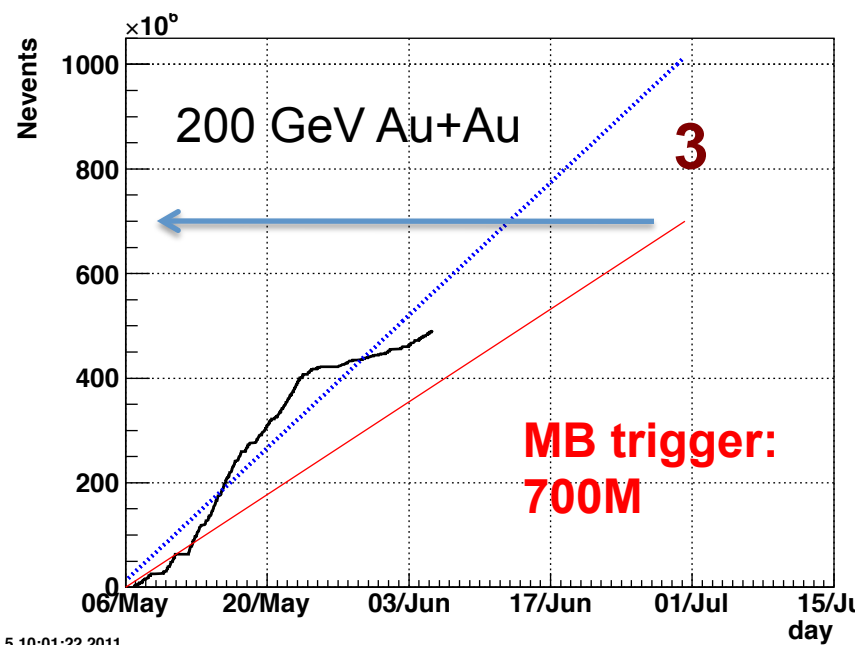
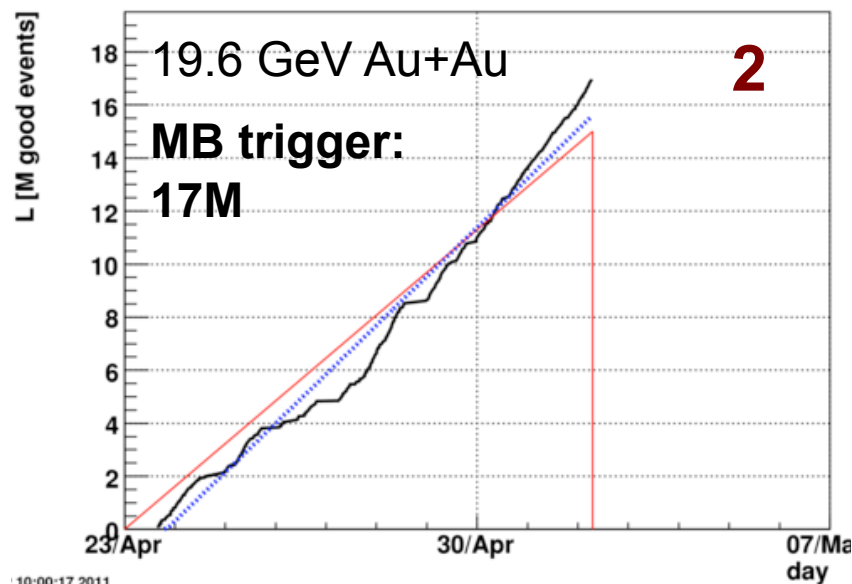
## U+U Collisions



# Run11: Integrated Luminosities

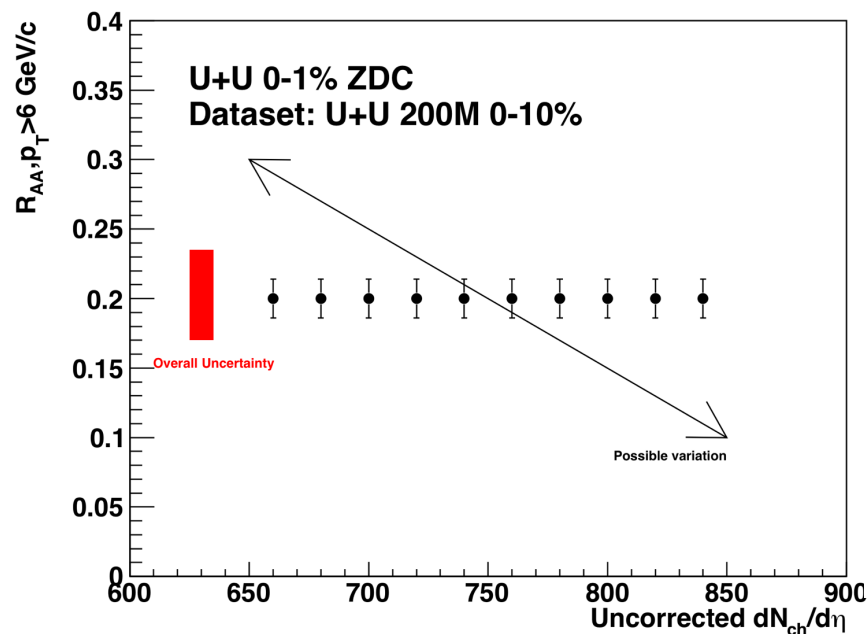


- 1) 500 GeV transverse p+p collisions  
- ***FMS, small-x***
- 2) 19.6 GeV Au+Au collisions  
- ***critical point search***
- 3) 200 GeV Au+Au collisions  
- ***di-electron and Upsilon***

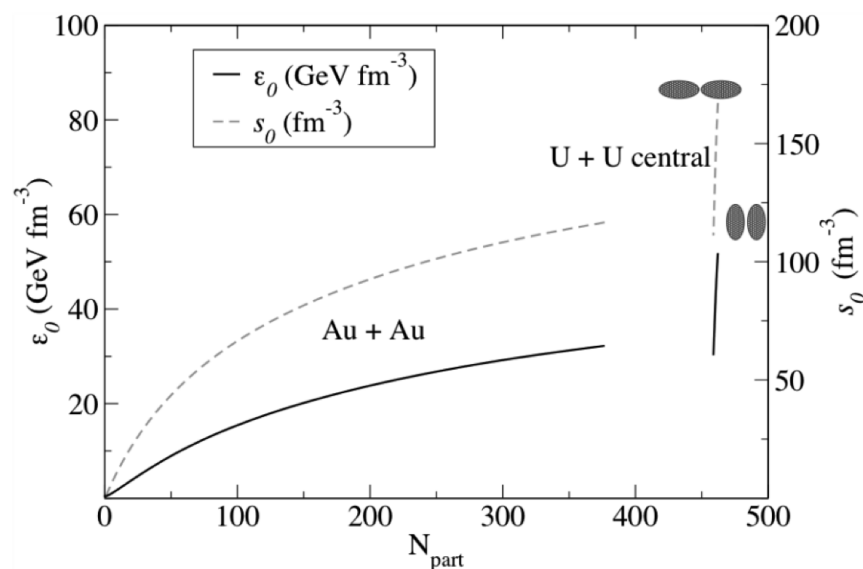




# Run 12 Request U+U Collisions



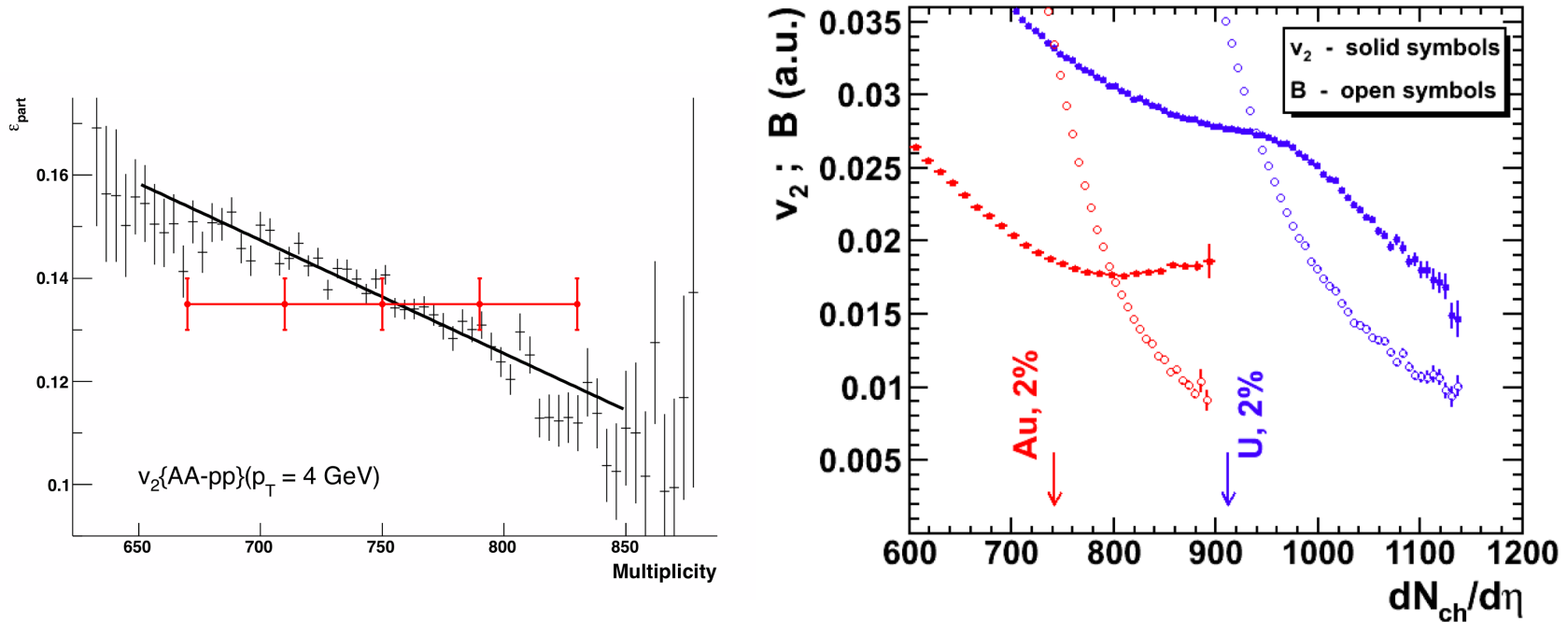
U. Heinz et al, PRL **94**, 132301(05)



- 1) Significant increase in energy density for hydrodynamic studies
- 2) Prolate shape: path-length dependence of  $E_{loss}$  at much higher density

**Run 12 request:** 200M MB and 200M central U+U collisions.





Left plot: **Black**:  $\langle \epsilon_{part} \rangle$  as a function of measured mid-rapidity multiplicity in the most 1% central U+U collisions, as selected by the number of participants. **Red**: estimated uncertainties on  $v_2\{AA\}$  for  $p_T=4$  GeV/c for such events, as selected with the ZDCs.

Right plot\*:  $v_2$  and external B-field vs. mid-y multiplicity. Greater sensitivity seen in U+U central collisions for  $dN_{ch}/d\eta > 1000$ .

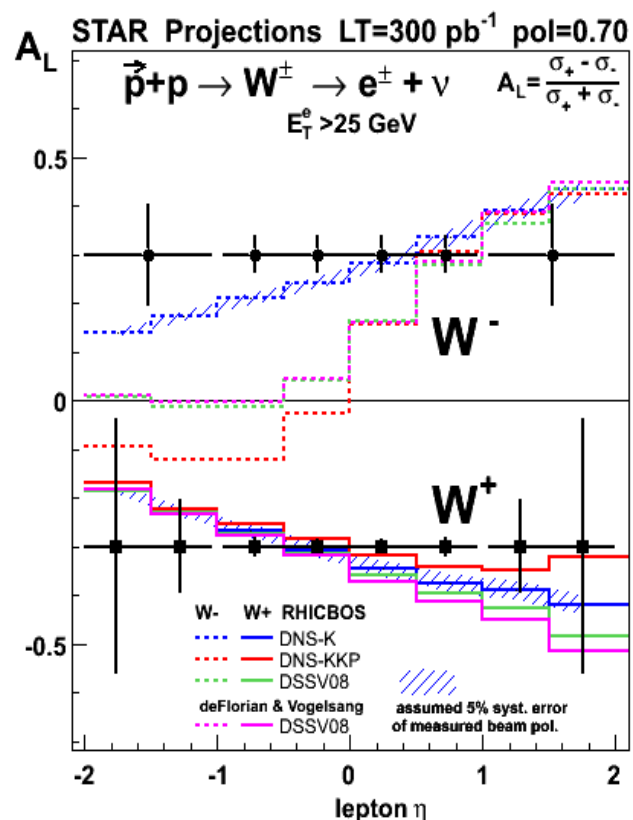
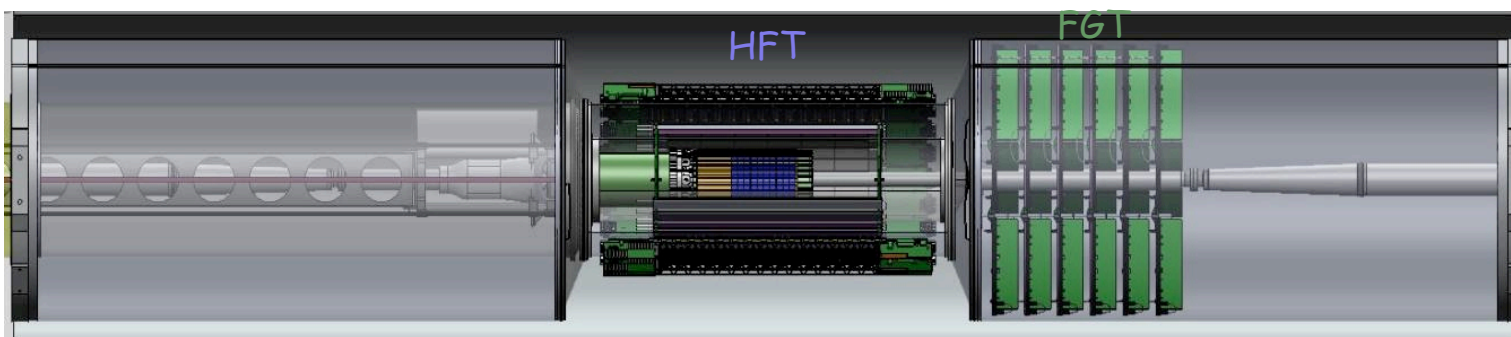
\* S. Voloshin, PRL105, 172301(2010).

FGT Status

STAR Future Upgrades

eSTAR Task Force

# Forward GEM Tracker



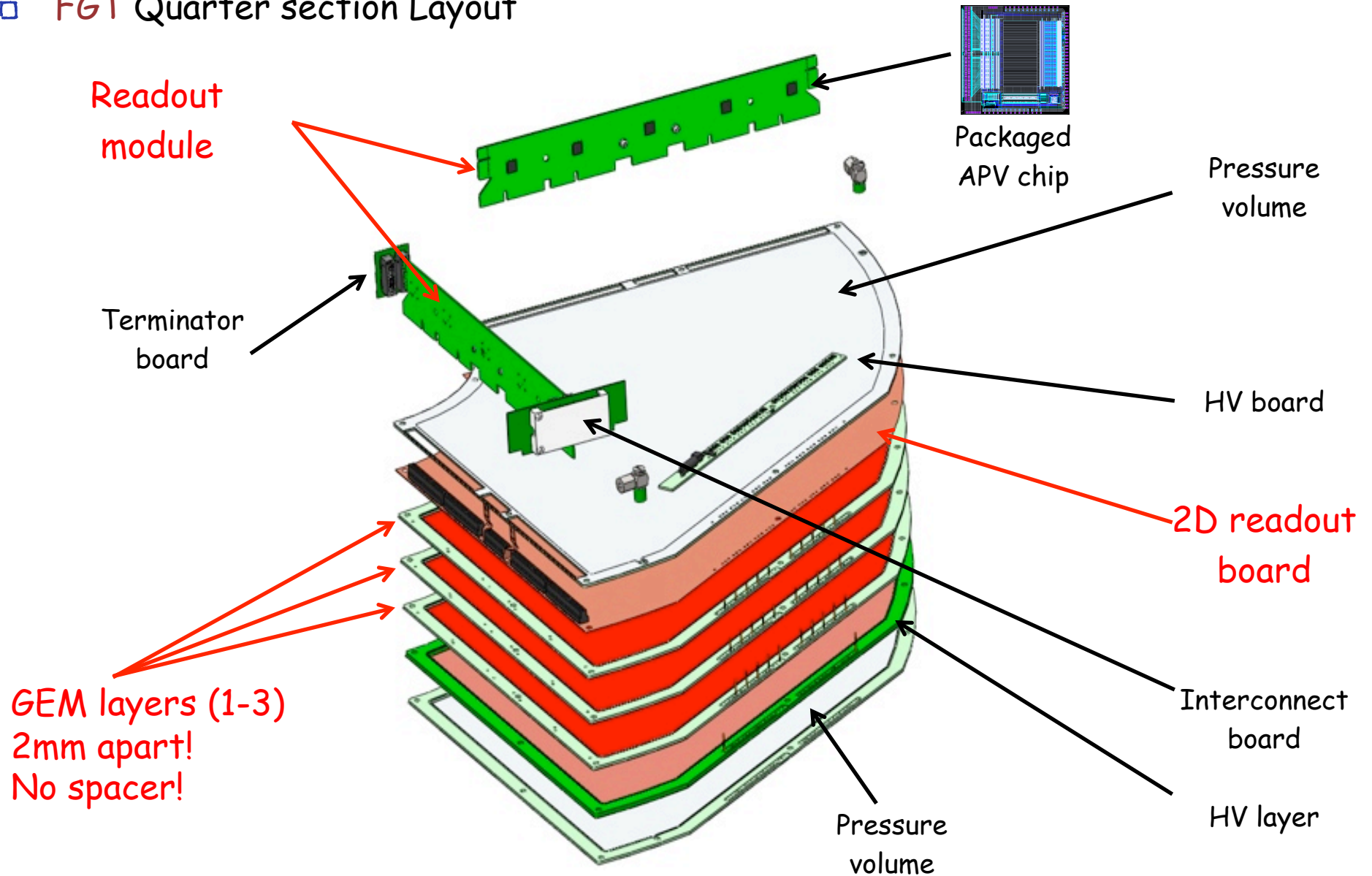
- 1) FGT: RHIC CP project
- 2) Six light-weight triple-GEM disks
- 3) New mechanical support structure
- 4) Planned installation: Summer 2011

- 1) Full charge-sign discrimination at high- $p_T$
- 2) Design polarization performance of **70% or better** to collect at least  $300 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- 3) **Ready\* for Run 12!**

\* minimal configuration

# FGT Quadrant

## □ FGT Quarter section Layout



# FGT Quadrant Problems and Solutions

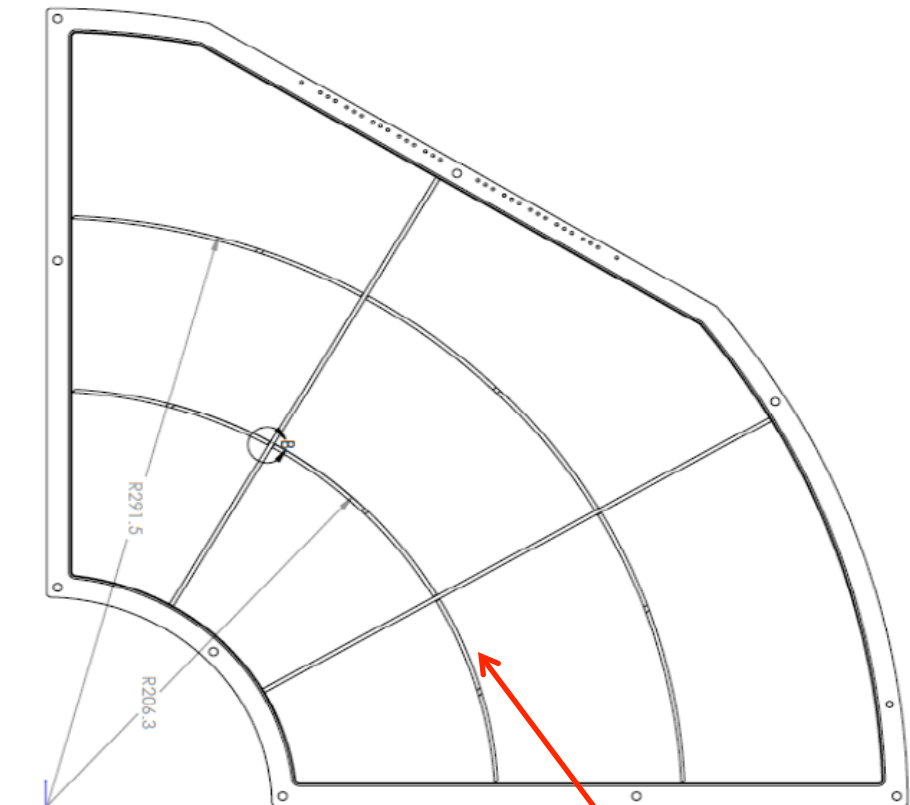
- Quarter section fully assembled and operational (Cosmic-ray signal /  $^{55}\text{Fe}$  signal) without spacer grid:

P1: GEM foils cannot be stretched sufficiently to guarantee that GEM foils separated by 2mm. Original design to avoid efficiency loss.

➡ Solution: Need for a spacer grid. Order has been placed and expect full quarter section assembly including spacer grid by mid of June.

P2: GEM foil frames are part of HV distribution. The distance between HV lines and metallic pins are  $\sim 1\text{mm}$  / Difficulty in holding full HV ( $\sim 4\text{kV}$ ).

➡ Solution: Need for non-metallic pins providing sufficient strength / Likely G10 in addition to stretching bars



Spacer added



# FGT Schedule

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## I. Minimal configuration

- 1) Full FGT: 24 quarter sections / 6 disks (4 quarter sections per disk)
- 2) Minimal configuration: 4 disks with 3 quarter sections each, i.e. 50% of full FGT system (24 quarter sections)
- 3) 4 disks, i.e. 4 space points are required for proper charge-sign discrimination

## II. Schedule (draft)

- 1) July-September 2011: Quarter section assembly and testing
- 2) September 2011: Disk assembly and WSC integration
- 3) October 2011: Integration of ESC / WSC / Beam pipe
- 4) November 2011: Installation in STAR

**Request RHIC cool down: January 1, 2012**

in order to install as many FGT disks as possible



# STAR Upgrade Timeline

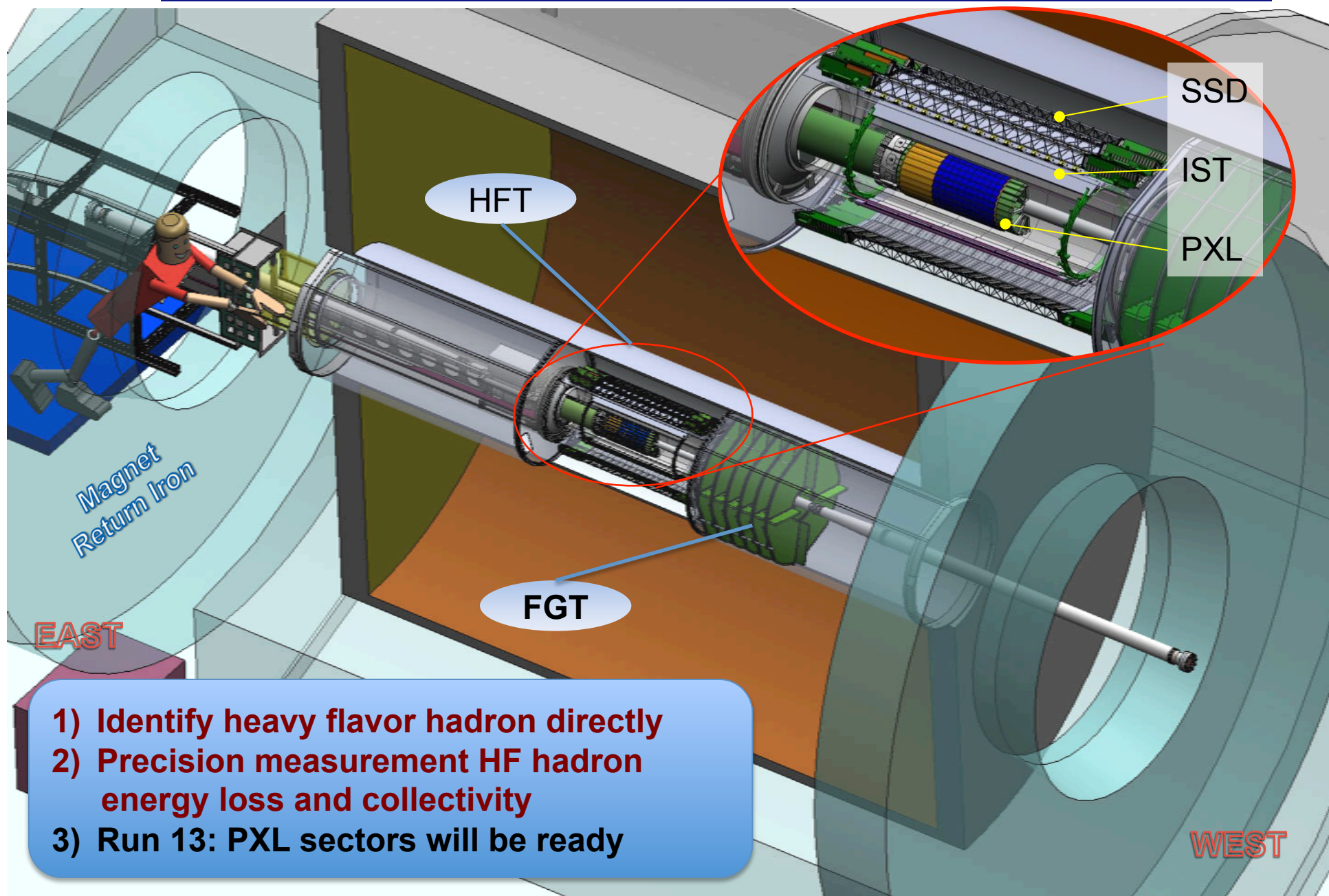
Upgrade	Completion	Key Physics Measurements
<b>FMS</b>	Completed 2008	(a) Trans. Asymmetry at forward-y (b) CGC
<b>TPC DAQ1000</b>	Completed 2009	Minimal dead time, large data set
<b>MRPC TOF</b>	Completed 2010	Fast PID in full azimuthal acceptance
<b>FGT</b>	Summer 2011 Ready* for Run 12	Forward-y $W^\pm$ for flavor separated quark polarization
<b>HFT</b>	Summer 2013 Ready for Run 14	(a) Precision hadronic ID for charm and Bottom hadrons (b) Charm and Bottom hadron energy loss and flow
<b>MTD</b>	Summer 2013 Ready for Run 14	(a) High $p_T$ muon trigger (b) Quarkonia states
<b>pp2pp'</b>	Summer 2014 Ready for Run 15	

\* Minimal configuration



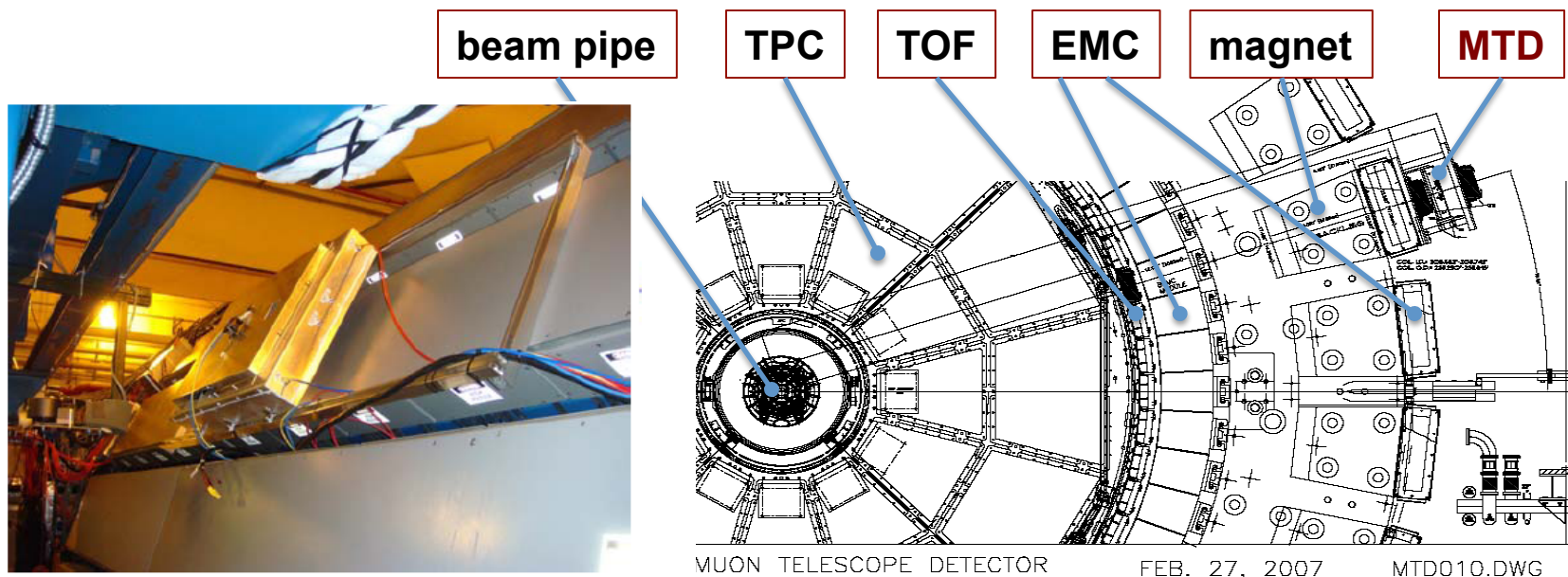


# Heavy Flavor Tracker at STAR





# STAR: Muon Telescope Detector



## Muon Telescope Detector (MTD) at STAR:

- 1) MRPC technology;  $\mu_{\epsilon} \sim 36\%$ ; cover  $\sim 45\%$  azimuthally and  $|y| < 0.5$
- 2) TPC+TOF+MTD: muon/hadron enhancement factor  $\sim 10^{2-3}$
- 3) For high  $p_T$  muon trigger, heavy quarkonia, light vector mesons,  $B \rightarrow J/\psi + X$
- 4) China-India-STAR collaboration: approved by DOE and China + India
- 5) **Run 13:** 50% MTD will be ready



# eSTAR Task Force

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**Charges:** In order to prepare the experiment to complement the ongoing physics programs related to *AA*, *pA* and *pp collisions with a strong ep and eA program by an additional electron beam* and prepare the collaboration to participate in the US Nuclear Physics Long Range Planning exercises during 2012-2013, we establish the eSTAR Task Force. This task force will be in function during the next three years. The main charges for the task force are:

- (1) Identify important physics measurements and assess their science impact during the eSTAR era (2017-2020). Prepare a white paper or an updated decadal plan including physics sensitivities and detailed R&D projects.
- (2) With (1) in mind as well as the eRHIC interaction region design(s) and other constraints, identify and advise STAR Management on priorities for detector R&D projects within the collaboration.
- (3) Engage the collaboration by organizing special *ep/eA* workshops, document the progress and report annually to the collaboration.
- (4) Work with the STAR management and the EIC task force (setup by the BNL management) to strengthen the physics case(s) for eSTAR and a future EIC

**STAR has been very effective and productive:**

**1) TOF, HLT, DAQ1k upgrades successfully completed**

**2) 200 GeV Au+Au collisions**

- Large acceptance di-electron program started
- Upsilon suppression vs. centrality and high statistics  $J/\psi$   $v_2$
- Full jets reconstruction program presses on
- ... anti- $^4\text{He}$ , ...

**3) Beam Energy Scan**

- Systematic analysis of Au+Au collisions at 7.7/11.5/19.6/39/62.4 GeV:  
 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 39 \text{ GeV}$ : partonic //  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq 11.5 \text{ GeV}$ : hadronic

**4) Spin Physics**

- First  $W^\pm A_L$  results published
- di-jet  $A_{LL}$  analysis

**5) High statistics, high quality data have been collected**

- pp 500 GeV FMS and low material Au+Au 200 GeV



# For Runs 12 & 13: We Request

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## 1) Spin Physics (polarized p+p collisions)

- $W^\pm A_L$  at both mid-y and forward-y (2012/2013)
- DPE and hadronic spin-flip amplitude (2012)
- $\Delta g$  measurements at 500 GeV (2012) and 200 GeV\* (2013)

\* Reference data for heavy ion programs

## 2) Heavy Ion Physics (A+A collisions)

- Complete the Phase-I RHIC BES at 27 GeV (2012)
- U+U collisions: hydro limit, LPV, path length dep. (2012)
- Engineering run for HFT & MTD in Au+Au(Pb+Pb) (2013)

## 3) Start of Run12: January 1, 2012

# STAR BUR for Runs 12 and 13

Run	Beam Energy	Time	System	Goal
12	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 27 \text{ GeV}$	1 week	Au + Au	150M minbias
	$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$	3 weeks	p + p	FGT commissioning
		9 weeks	$p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	$P^2 \cdot L = 42 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ $P^4 \cdot L = 12 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
		1 week	$p_{\uparrow} p_{\uparrow}$	pp2pp at high $\beta^* = 7.5\text{m}$
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 193 \text{ GeV}$	6 weeks	U + U	200 M minbias 200 M central
13	$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$	8 weeks	$p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	long. $P^2 \cdot L = 50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
	$\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	10 weeks	$p_{\uparrow} p_{\uparrow}$ $p_{\rightarrow} p_{\rightarrow}$	trans. $P^2 \cdot L = 7.2 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ long. $P^4 \cdot L = 7.1 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ $L = 60 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	6 weeks	Au + Au (Pb + Pb)	HFT & MTD engineering

**Run 12:** 26 cryo-week. 500pp: 50% polarization

**Run 13:** 30 cryo-week. 500pp: 50% polarization // 200pp: 60-65% polarization